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On Form of Parochial Report.

Rev. H. M. JACKSON, Rev. T. G. DASHIELL,
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Dickinson, Jno. F., Hanover Parish, King George.
Digges, William C., St. Margaret Church, Caroline.
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Halsey, Don P., Grace Church, Richmond.
Harrison, George B., Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George.
Harrison, William H., Merchants' Hope, Prince George.
Harvie, Dr. J. B., Emmanuel Church, Powhatan.
Holland, C. L., Epiphany Church, Danville.
Holman, William, Leighton Parish, Cumberland county.
Horseley, John, Tillotson Parish, Buckingham.
Howell, Jno. M., Cotocton Church, Loudon.
Hunter, Ro., W., Christ Church, Winchester.
Jacob, Henry, St. Patrick's Parish, Prince Edward.
Jones, J. R., St. Andrew's Parish, Brunswick.
Jordan, W. V., St. John's Church, Liberty.
Kean, Dr. O. W., St. Mary's Church, Goochland.
Kerrick, H. B., Leeds Parish, Fauquier.
Lane, Dr. Thomas B., Kingston Parish, Mathews.
Lawrence, R. S., Cople Parish, Westmoreland.
Lee, C. F., Jr., Christ Church, Alexandria.
Letcher, John D., alternate, Epiphany Church, Danville.
Lewis, Andrew, Emmanuel Church, Harrisonburg.
Lippitt, Charles E., Dr., Clarke Parish, Clarke.
Loyall, B. P., Christ Church, Norfolk.
Lumsden, William C., Grace Church, Petersburg.
Macon, George W., Walker's Parish, Albemarle.
Marsden, B. A., St. Paul's Church, Norfolk.
Marston, O. J., Christ Church, Middlesex.
Meem, G. S., Beckford Parish, Shenandoah county.
Meem, J. G., Beckford Parish, Shenandoah.
Moncure, George V., Aquia Church, Stafford.
Moore, Thomas, Truro Parish, Fairfax.
Murdaugh, W. H., Trinity Church, Portsmouth.
Murray, Sterling, St. James' Parish, Leesburg.
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Nalle, J. B. W., St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper.
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Powers, Philip H., Wickliffe Parish, Clarke.
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Service, H. H., Grace Church, Alexandria.
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Skinner, James H., Trinity Church, Staunton.
Southall, Dr. P. F., Trinity Church, Dale Parish.
Stewart, John, Emmanuel Church, Henrico.
Taliaferro, Alfred, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper.
Taliaferro, T. S., Ware Church, Gloucester.
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Tayloe, Geo. P., Roanoke Parish, Roanoke.
Taylor, Walter H., St. Luke's Church, Norfolk.
Thomas, R. S., Newport Parish, Isle of Wight.
Thorpe, Arthur S., St. Paul's Church, Hay Market.
Walker, D. N., St. Paul's Church, Richmond.
Whittle, James M., Emmanuel Church, Pittsylvania.
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RULES OF ORDER.

ORGANIZATION.

1st. The Council shall be opened each day with prayer.

2d. After the call to order, no member shall remain standing, nor afterwards stand except to address the chair.

3d. The credentials of Lay Delegates shall be handed to the Secretary, who shall call the names of at least twelve, that the Council may at once proceed to business. The credentials of all the delegates shall then be referred to a committee of two clerical and three lay members, who shall report thereon as speedily as practicable, and if any doubt arise as to the right of any delegate to a seat, the matter shall be referred to the Committee on Elections for their Examination.

ORDER OF BUSINEESS.

1st. After the organization of the Council, the following order of business shall be observed:

The appointment of a Treasurer *pro tempore*, when the Treasurer is absent.

The adoption of rules of order.

The reading of the journal of the preceding day.

The reading of the pastoral addresses.

The appointment of committees.

Reports of standing committees.

Reports of special committees.

Unfinished business.

2d. There shall be appointed by the President, not later than the *second* day of the Council, unless otherwise directed, the following standing committees, to consist of an equal number of each Order:

A Committee on the State of the Church, to whom shall be referred the address of the Bishop on the opening of the Council.

A Committee on the Fund for the Support of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

A Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

A Committee on the Brotherhood.

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A Committee on the Accounts of the Disabled Clergy Fund.

A Committee on the Accounts of the Bruce Fund.

A Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society.

A Committee on Parochial Reports.

A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

A Committee on Elections.

A Committee on Finance, consisting of laymen.

A Committee on Clerical Support, consisting of *ten* laymen.

ORDER OF DEBATE.

1st. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the President, and if in writing, be read by the Secretary, before debate.

2d. After a motion is stated by the President, or read by the Secretary, it shall be deemed in possession of the Council, but may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before amendment or decision, with the consent of second.

3d. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if the President or any member require it.

4th. No new motion or proposition shall be admitted under color of amendment as a substitute for the motion or proposition under debate.

5th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, for the previous question, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain day, to commit or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order enumerated.

6th. The previous question shall be admitted only when demanded by a majority of the members present—it shall be in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?" and until decided, all debate and amendment are precluded.

7th. A motion to adjourn, or to lay on the table, shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

8th. When a member desires to speak in debate, or present any matter to the Council, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President, and shall confine himself to the question under debate, avoiding all personality.

9th. If any member transgress the rules of the Council, the President shall, or any member may, call him to order, in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately take his seat, unless permitted

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to explain. If the ruling of the President be appealed from, the Council shall decide the appeal without debate.

10th. When two or more members rise at once, the President shall decide who is entitled to the floor.

11th. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question, without leave of the Council.

12th. The vote on all questions shall be taken by ayes and noes whenever three members require it.

13th. Any member may call for a division of the question where the sense will admit of it, but a motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

14th. Every member who may be in the house when the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Council for special reasons shall excuse him.

15th. No member shall vote upon a question in the decision of which he is immediately and personally interested.

16th. Upon a division and count of the Council on any question, no member shall be counted who is not within the limits assigned as seats to the members.

17th. When a question has been decided by the Council, or postponed indefinitely, it may be reconsidered upon motion made by a member voting in the majority, *provided* such motion be made on the same or next succeeding day of the session.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1st. No member shall absent himself from the meetings of the Council without leave, unless he be sick, or unable to attend.

2d. The President shall at his discretion select suitable seats without the limits of those allotted to the use of the members, which shall be appropriated to the accommodation of visiting clergymen and candidates for orders who may be invited by the Rector or wardens of the church in which the meetings of the Council are held, under the direction of the President and Council.

3d. No spectator shall, during the daily sessions of the Council, be admitted above or within the pews allotted to the members, and the Rector and wardens of the church in which the sessions of the Council are held are directed to see that this rule is enforced.

4th. No rule of order shall be suspended except with the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

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JOURNAL

OF THE

EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL COUNCIL

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN VIRGINIA.

LYNCHBURG, VA., WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1878.

The Eighty-third annual Council of the Diocese of Virginia met in St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, this morning, at ten o'clock.

Morning Prayer was read by Rev. E. C. Murdaugh, D. D., and Rev. R. T. Davis, D. D.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. O. S. Barten, D. D., on the eighteenth verse of the tenth chapter of Romans.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by Rev. T. M. Carson and Rev. George W. Peterkin, D. D.

After service the Council assembled in the church, and was called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary called the roll of the clergy, and the following answered to their names:

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Clergy present.

Rt. Rev. F. M. WHITTLE, D. D., LL. D.,

Rev. W. A. Alrich,
" John Ambler,
" F. M. Baker,
" O. S. Barten, D. D.,
" E. Boyden,
" P. M. Boyden,
" O. S. Bunting,
" T. M. Carson,
" Giles B. Cooke,
" J. B. Craighill,
" George W. Dame,
" N. P. Dame,
" W. M. Dame,
" T. G. Dashiell,
" R. T. Davis, D. D.,
" Geo. S. Gibbs,
" C. J. Gibson, D. D.,
" Robert A. Goodwin,
" J. J. Gravatt,
" J. S. Hanckel, D. D.,
" W. Q. Hullihen,
" J. H. Hundley,
" E. Valentine Jones,
" H. S. Kepler,
" W. C. Latané,
" H. B. Lee,
" John R. Lee,
" John S. Lindsay,
" Thomas E. Locke,
" J. P. Lawrence,
" T. F. Martin,
" Landon R. Mason,
" John K. Mason,
Rev. R. J. McBryde,
" E. B. McGuire,
" John McNabb,
" Everard Meade,
" C. Minnigerode, D. D.,
" G. W. Nelson,
" Kinloch Nelson,
" J. B. Newton,
" George H. Norton, D. D.,
" J. J. Norwood,
" N. A. Okeson, D. D.,
" J. Packard, D. D.,
" W. N. Pendleton, D. D.,
" E. A. Penick,
" J. Peterkin, D. D.,
" J. E. Poindexter,
" W. H. H. Powers,
" Theodore Reed,
" R. D. Roller,
" J. W. Shields,
" P. Slaughter, D. D.,
" Thomas Spencer,
" D. F. Sprigg, D. D.,
" F. Stringfellow,
" H. Suter,
" George C. Sutton,
" A. B. Tizzard,
" B. D. Tucker,
" W. W. Walker,
" W. N. Ward,
" Albert Ware,
" Robb White,
" James H. Williams.

The roll of lay delegates whose certificates had been received was then called, and a quorum being present of both orders,

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the Bishop declared the Council organized and ready for business.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Norton, the rules of order of last session were adopted for this Council.

The following committee was appointed to examine the credentials of the lay delegates:

Rev. J. B. Newton,
" J. E. Poindexter,
Mr. J. E. Cuthbert,
" R. J. Davis.
Mr. Don P. Halsey.

On motion of Rev. T. M. Carson, the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed at 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., with recess at 11 A. M. for Divine Service.

The Bishop announced the following standing committees:

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Rev. J. S. Hanckel, D. D.,
" O. A. Kinsolving,
" P. Slaughter, D. D.,
" John A. Wharton,
" R. T. Davis, D. D.,
Mr. Wm. Nelson,
" John H. Claiborne,
" John Stewart,
" Henry C. Deshields,
" John W. Green.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Rev. John S. Lindsay,
" J. A. Greaves,
" B. D. Tucker,
" E. Withers,
Mr. Geo. B. Harrison,
" Andrew Lewis,
" L. H. Sclater,
" John G. Meem.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Rev. W. Q. Hullihen,
" W. H. H. Powers,
" W. M. Dame.
Mr. C. C. Baughman,
" J. C. Cooke,
Dr. T. S. Beckwith.

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Standing Committees.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

Rev. Jas. B. Craighill, Mr. Henry C. Deshields.

NEW PARISHES.

Rev. Geo. H. Norton, D. D., Mr. L. C. Berkeley,
" C. Minnigerode, D. D., " C. M. Blackford,
" H. Suter, " R. S. Lawrence.

FINANCE.

Mr. J. Ravenscroft Jones, Mr. Geo. P. Tayloe,
" John Stewart, " R. R. Carter,
Mr. R. W. Hunter.

ACCOUNTS OF TREASURER OF DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. T. F. Martin, Mr. P. H. Powers,
" Thos. E. Locke, " O. P. Marston,

DISABLED CLERGY FUND.

Rev. Kinloch Nelson, Mr. T. R. B. Wright,
" F. Stringfellow, " J. T. Brown.

BRUCE FUND.

Rev. E. Valentine Jones, Mr. W. T. Chase,
" W. A. Alrich, Dr. D. C. Gordon.

BROTHERHOOD.

Col. John M. Patton, Mr. J. W. Beveridge,
Mr. L. M. Blackford.

CLERICAL SUPPORT.

Mr. Walter H. Taylor, Mr. Thos. L. Preston,
" James W. Shields, " Thomas Moore,
" W. R. Abbott, " B. J. Barbour,
Dr. James W. Claiborne, " E. B. Goode,
Mr. R. H. Dulaney, " A. K. Phillips.

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Federal Relations.

Rev. Dr. Norton, from the Committee continued over from the last Council to consider the subject of the relations of the Diocese of Virginia to the General Church, read the following paper:

The Committee appointed by the Annual Council of 1876 "to enquire into the origin and limitations of the Federal Power as they affect this Diocese," and to ascertain "to what extent and in what way (if at all) the Church in this Diocese has parted with her original right of self-government, and how far she is to be governed by the acts and opinions of other ecclesiastical bodies, whether Anglican or American, whether of modern or former times,"—after patient examination of the subject, beg leave to report:

From the first settlement of the country until the Revolution there was no bond of union among the Protestant Episcopal churches in the several colonies, which afterwards became the United States, save in their common subjection to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of London, in a somewhat undefined obligation to obey the ecclesiastical laws of England, and in the use of the Book of Common Prayer. The Revolution "severed the union between the colonial churches and that of the parent land," and "destroyed also the union among themselves." Hawks' Const. & Can., p. 3 and 4.

In the language of Bishop White (Memoirs, p. 21), "they had been heretofore detached from, and independent of, one another, excepting the bond which had subsisted through the medium of the Bishop of London. That medium of connexion had been confessedly destroyed by the Revolution; and therefore it was evident, that without the creating of some new tie, the churches in the different states, and even those in the same states, might adopt such varying measures as would forever prevent their being combined in one communion."

No one who has studied the history of those times can doubt the statement of Dr. Hawks, "that in each state, the church considered itself an integral part of the Church of Christ, perfectly independent in its government of any and every branch of the Church in Christendom." Const. & Can., p. 4.

During the years from 1783 until 1789, when the Constitution of the General Church was finally adopted, there were conventions of delegates from the several Dioceses. Bishops were consecrated, and impor-

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tant preliminary measures adopted; but there was nothing to interfere with the independence of the churches in the different States.

The adoption of the Constitution of the General Church has been supposed to modify that independence, and your Committee is expected to ascertain, so far as possible, to what extent the union of the Church in Virginia, with the other Dioceses under a General Constitution, has divested the Diocese of the right of self-government, confessedly belonging to her from 1783 to 1789.

When a similar question is propounded with regard to State Rights under the Federal Constitution, the answer is made easier by the fact that the Constitution enumerates certain powers, which may be exercised by the General Government; and expressly declares that "the powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." No such enumeration or declaration is found in the Constitution of the Church, and we are therefore left to a study of the Constitution itself, and the history and circumstances of its formation, to learn the relative extent of Federal and Diocesan powers. The enquiry may conveniently be divided into two questions, viz:

1st. So long as the Diocese of Virginia remains in union with the other Dioceses, what powers can be exercised exclusively by the General Church, and what powers remain with the Diocese?

2d. Has the Diocese of Virginia surrendered such an exercise of independence as would permit her to withdraw from the union, under any circumstances, without the assent of the other Dioceses?

I. The great object aimed at in forming the General Constitution was to secure "uniformity in doctrine, discipline and worship." This appears from the fundamental principles enunciated by the voluntary assembly of clergy and laity in New York, October, 1784, and is expressly stated in the preamble of the Constitution, set forth and recommended to the Dioceses by the General Convention of 1785, composed of "clerical and lay deputies, duly appointed from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina." Provisions to secure such uniformity are found in the Constitution as proposed in 1785, and as adopted in 1789.

Subsequently a Book of Common Prayer to regulate worship, articles of religion, to define doctrine, and a form of making, ordaining and consecrating bishops, priests and deacons, to whom are entrusted discipline, was established by the General Convention. The same General

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Convention of 1789, which adopted the Constitution, likewise enacted sundry Canons. There was no *express* power given in the Constitution to enact Canons; but the very word Convention having acquired in the Dioceses the meaning of a Church Synod with Canon-making power, itself contained the conveyance of such power to the General Convention under the Constitution. The exercise of this power by the first General Convention was neither at the time nor afterwards called in question by the Dioceses. The next Annual Convention of Virginia, in 1790, recognized the Canons thus enacted by instructing the delegates to the next General Convention to endeavor to obtain an amendment to one of said Canons. The General Convention has since continued to exercise legislative powers, without apparently any fixed limit in view as to the subjects upon which Canons may be passed, except so far as restricted by the General Constitution of the Church. It is obvious to any careful student of the history of the Church that the extent to which the Canon-making power of the General Convention has been exercised has far exceeded the expectations of any of those who took part in the organization of the Church. The convenience of uniform rules having force throughout the entire Church, as contrasted with a multitude of diverse rules in the several Dioceses, has naturally extended the scope of general legislation.

The inevitable tendency of large bodies to encroach upon the province of smaller ones has been illustrated in this case, as every where else, in the progress of human affairs. This extension of legislative jurisdiction by the General Convention has been thought by some of the wisest bishops to be attended with danger. Forty years ago, Bishop White said: "It has been all along his opinion, and there will be more and more ground for it in proportion as our ecclesiastical organization shall be operative over the American territory, that the authority and the deliberations of the General Convention should be limited to matters essential to the keeping of us together in one body, and requiring agreement with a view to that end. All enlargement of the jurisdiction endangers controversy and of course division." Memoirs, page 237.

If we ask what are the limits upon Diocesan legislation by union with the general Church, it is clear the Diocese of Virginia must have some right to an opinion. And she expressed that opinion by a Canon passed in 1793, only four years after the adoption of the constitution of the general Church. The second Canon enacted that year defines the con-

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stitution and powers of Virginia Conventions. Section 7th declares that "conventions shall regulate all the religious concerns of the Protestant Episcopal Church within this state; its doctrine, discipline, and worship; and institute such rules and regulations as they may judge necessary for the good government thereof, and the same revoke and alter at their pleasure: Provided always, that the powers hereby declared shall not be so construed as to affect any powers exclusively vested in the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

This differs little, if at all, from the statement of Dr. Hawks, when he enumerates among the reserved rights of Dioceses, the right "to hold their own ecclesiastical legislatures, and make all such laws as they deem necessary for their well-being, provided they do not defeat the purpose of union by contravening the Constitution and constitutional enactments of the Church general."

Bishop Meade, commenting on this Canon says, (remarks on a pamphlet &c., 1850, page 11) "what these powers were, she does not say; nor is it practicable for us at this day to determine precisely what she meant by the rights reserved to herself. One thing is certain, that she never meant to give exclusive right of discipline to the General Convention, for in that very Convention she proceeds to renew various laws as to the conduct and trial of the clergy of all orders," &c. "Certain it is that she claims some powers as to doctrine, discipline and worship; though not unlimited, however. They must not interfere with those exclusively belonging to the General Convention. As it is impossible, at this day, to say what was in the minds of our forefathers, in drawing up this assertion of their Diocesan rights, it is better to refer to their action, and that of their successors, for an explanation. It is certain that they claimed no right to alter the Prayer Book, which contains our common worship, or to change the articles which contain our common doctrine. None of these things can be touched except by the General Convention, which itself cannot alter a word in the Constitution or Prayer Book without reference to all the Dioceses. And yet there are some things within each Diocese appertaining to worship, which may come in some degree, under the power of the Convention. Prayers for certain occasions may, by request of the Convention, be prepared by the Bishop," &c. "Something comprehended under the term doctrine, might come before a Diocese, without its undertaking to meddle with the creeds, or define the faith once delivered to the saints. We offer

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this only as a conjecture in relation to the claims, which the Church in Virginia still reserved to herself. Much more readily can we understand her claim as to discipline, which is a yet more comprehensive term, taking in all laws relating to clergy and laity, congregations and conventions."

The above views of Bishop Meade, expressed twenty-seven years ago, are cited, not as conclusive upon the matters referred to by him, but as indicating an anxiety on his part to protect the reserved rights of Dioceses against the tide of centralization.

About the same time there was a strong opinion of like tenor given by a distinguished layman of Maryland—Mr. Hugh Davy Evans. "Each and every Diocese," says Mr. Evans, "has force, power and authority of itself. The Diocese of Maryland, for instance, can enact whatever it chooses. It does not derive its authority to legislate from the General Convention; on the contrary, the authority of the General Convention is derived from the Dioceses. The General Convention possesses only a delegated authority for specific purposes, and has no power beyond it." "The right of any Diocese to legislate for itself is necessarily derived from the original Constitution of the Church. From primitive times Dioceses have always been regarded as complete and independent bodies in themselves; independent for all the purposes of their own conduct and legislation. That they do not everywhere remain so is owing to the usurpations of the Church of Rome and to the usurpations of the English Crown upon the Church, followed by parliamentary usurpations upon the Crown. In this country we have returned to the primitive Constitution of independent Dioceses, and maintain that in them rests the superior authority for all legislation, and from this as a source all ecclesiastical law derives its obligation."—[Speech at the trial of Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Jr., 1846.]

Every year of the last twenty-seven has shown the steadily increasing power of the General Church, and the diminishing jurisdiction of the Dioceses. Now if we be asked whether the Constitution itself determines any limit beyond which this process of absorption cannot go, after the best examination we can give that instrument, we are compelled to answer in the negative. The General Constitution and Canons have been submitted to by the Dioceses since 1789, as the supreme law of the Church, superseding all identical and annulling all conflicting Diocesan legislation, upon whatever matter the General Church has decided to legislate. And there seems no check or

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hindrance in any express provision of the Constitution itself, to the gradual enlargement of Federal power and the reduction of Diocesan authority to a mere shadow.

If we turn to the history of the formation of the Constitution however, it will be found that there were conditions, *sine quibus non*, of its adoption.

Among them were:—

1st. Adherence in all essential points to the doctrine of the Church of England.

2d. The limitation of the exercise of Episcopal powers by law.

3d. The effective voice of presbyters and laymen, in all legislation of the Church, excluding every possible claim of bishops to legislate without the co-operation of both clergy and laity.

These principles, indeed, were embodied in the Constitution. They differ, however, from other articles of the Constitution, in the fact, that their being thus embodied was an indispensable condition of union among the Dioceses. The Constitution might in many respects be changed, as it has, from time to time been changed, without violation of the original compact. But the General Convention could never abandon the doctrine of the Church of England, or abolish the checks imposed upon the exercise of Episcopal powers, or recognize any enactment, opinion or decisions of bishops alone as law, without violating the fundamental principles of union among the Dioceses.

Shall it be said that such changes are inconceivable? Who that has read the history of the past forty years will say that it is incredible a class of men should ever arise in our Church favorable to such changes? Or that such class, if existing, could never become a constitutional majority of the Church?

And if such changes be conceivable, if there could ever be amendments to the Constitution which should make a new creed the established doctrine, and Canons enacted by councils of bishops the law of this Church, it may be asked, under such revolutionized circumstances, what remedy has a Diocese of our Church? And this brings us to the second topic proposed for consideration. Before entering on that topic, we pause only for one moment to record a single weighty sentence of Dr. Hawks, viz: "If ever the union of our Dioceses is dissolved, it will probably be accomplished by measures, the incipient steps of which will be changes in the Constitution." Hawks' Const. and Canons, page 50.

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II. As there is a provision in the Constitution for making changes in its articles, after due submission to the judgment of all the Dioceses, whenever a proposed change shall be approved by a majority of the Dioceses, it would seem that, without violation of the letter of the Constitution, were a majority of the Dioceses so inclined, the greatest and most radical changes might be effected in despite of any constitutional opposition of the minority; and by a like process, the Prayer Book could be changed so as to make it a book impossible to be used with good conscience by the minority; and all this under provisions of the Constitution itself.

No one who has read Church history, or who understands human nature, will reject such a supposition as visionary.

It is said that there are members of our Church who regard bishops, by divine appointment, as the depositaries of all authority. The powers exercised by presbyters and laymen are considered as granted to them by bishops. Upon such a theory, should it ever become generally received in the Church, it would be a return to primitive simplicity of government, if all powers, executive, legislative and judicial were vested in the bishops.

There are said to be persons in our Church sympathizing with the Broad Church school in England, for whom it would be a relief, if the articles could be so modified as to smooth down sharp points of definition in respect of the doctrines of our Lord's Divinity, the Holy Trinity and the Atonement.

There are persons in our Church who find it hard to make the strong Protestant declarations of the articles an honest expression of their own views. It would be a relief to such if those features of the articles could be changed or abolished.

There is nothing to prevent, should a majority of the Dioceses so wish, by perfectly constitutional measures, the accomplishment of any or all of these changes. There is nothing to prevent the permanent endowment of the bishops of our Church with all the powers now exercised by the General and Diocesan Conventions. There is nothing to prevent the removal from the Prayer Book of everything to which a Unitarian might object. There is nothing to prevent the removal from the Prayer Book of everything to which a Romanist might object. There is nothing to prevent a majority of the Dioceses, if so inclined, from effecting a complete revolution in the Church without even touching the Prayer Book. Suppose the small Romanizing element now said

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to exist, not in the Prayer Book but in a few congregations of the Church, should ever come to infect the great mass of the Church.

Suppose discipline to be relaxed everywhere, as it now is relaxed in some quarters, so that clergy and congregations may preach and worship almost according to individual fancy. It is conceivable that, after a few generations, the standards of doctrine might be regarded as obsolete. The Ritual of the Prayer Book might become overgrown and encrusted with alien usages, which would, after a few years, seem to many the genuine worship of the Church. All this we may conceive to have place, the Prayer Book remaining as it is to-day.

Now suppose William White to look down from his heavenly rest upon the Church he had labored so long to build up, would it not appear to him as needing nothing to make it a branch of the Roman Catholic Church, but the acknowledgment that one bishop in the world is greater than all others?

When we say there is nothing to prevent all this, we mean nothing in the letter of the Constitution. But what should be an insuperable bar to all such radical changes may be found in the historically attested constitutional compact, and such changes could never be effected without a violation of that compact.

But suppose a majority of the Dioceses, bent on change, and regardless of the fundamental conditions of our Union, should proceed, by constitutional amendments, to accomplish their purpose, what remedy has a Diocese not concurring in such views and plans? The exercise of all constitutional methods of resisting such proposed amendments of course belongs to every Diocese. But suppose all these methods fail? In such a case has the Diocese of Virginia, supposing her still firm in adherence to the principles of 1789, no remedy? Must she bow to the ecclesiastical tyranny, leaving individual members to steal away, one by one, from the Church which sheltered their fathers for many generations? or has the Diocese her reserved rights, equal to the crisis, which shall enable her, without just charge of schism, to separate herself from uncongenial companions, even without their consent, standing fast in her integrity as a Diocese of the Church of Christ, and claiming the respect and fellowship of all the faithful in Christendom? This is a grave question.

Your Committee believes such right of withdrawal, for reasons of great magnitude, from unworthy companionship, is a part of the liberty wherewith Christ has made every Diocese free; that all human ar-

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rangements and constitutions are made with the implied understanding of such reserved rights.

It is granted that there is no recognition of such right in the Constitution. It is not usual for any Constitution to provide for its own dissolution, and ours is no exception to the rule, neither is there anything in the Constitution against such a right; and the history of the Diocesan proceedings preliminary to the Union, and especially in Virginia, makes us sure that had it been intimated that the Diocese was bound forever to the compact with no power to withdraw unless by the consent of other Dioceses, the Church of Virginia would have remained to this day separate and independent. We can only refer to the journals of Virginia Conventions from 1785 to 1789. The thoughtful reader of those journals will feel what Dr. Hawks expresses in commenting on the cautious procedure of the Convention of 1785, when discussing the proposed Constitution: "Thus jealous was the Church in Virginia under her new organization to preserve the rights which belonged to her as a distinct and independent portion of the Church of Christ."

While affirming the right of our Diocese to withdraw from union with the general Church, without the consent of the other Dioceses, it is not intended to claim the right of withdrawal *at pleasure.*

The solemn bond of union among the Dioceses cannot be surrendered lightly, without sin. Though a voluntary union of independent churches, it is a compact to which each is bound, so long as the terms on which the compact was made, remain fulfilled. No considerations of feeling, or mere expediency can justify a rupture of the bond.

In any case of contemplated withdrawal, the possibility of the entire Diocese not concurring in such withdrawal, must likewise be taken into account. It is certainly supposable that some congregations, and that individual members of many congregations might think it their right and duty to remain members of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States. These congregations and individual members might claim rights of property which could only be adjusted in the civil courts. And whatever might be the result of litigation, so far as property is concerned, there can be no doubt as to the effects upon moral and religious interests. Ill will and controversies, rending families, congregations and communities, so dishonoring to the Master's name, have always resulted from divisions in the Church, and perhaps always must result. These are facts which must always make Christian people slow to resort to separation, as a remedy, even for great evils. But such facts ought

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not to make us deny that our Diocese has a right, under the great charter which Christ has given to the Catholic Church, to withdraw from union with the General Church, should evils become intolerable.

May that day never come, is the prayer of your Committee.

In examining the whole subject of Federal relations, it would have been impossible to pass by unnoticed so obvious an enquiry as that just considered, even had it not been expressly brought to the attention of the Committee (as it was) by the resolutions submitted to them. The examination has been conducted, in the dry light of ecclesiastical law. There has been no reference to the present state of opinion and feeling in the Church, except so far as was needed to illustrate legal principles. The conclusions reached have not been affected by sympathy with, or hostility to, any special opinions held, or any special objects, aimed at by individuals or classes of men, within the borders of our Church. But inasmuch as scarce anything can be stated in words, so clearly as to avoid the possibility of misunderstanding; your Committee would add that the right of withdrawal claimed for a Diocese, is only as a last resource, for the maintenance of those principles, to perpetuate which the union was formed. And furthermore that your Committee can find neither in the Constitution, nor in the constitutional compact, any warrant for withdrawal on the part of a Diocese, upon the ground that such Diocese may think it expedient changes should be made, which changes the General Church shall refuse to make in the Prayer Book adopted in 1789.

III. Your Committee is likewise instructed to report how far this Diocese "is to be governed by the acts and opinions of other ecclesiastical bodies, whether Anglican or American, whether of modern or former times."

The question as regards American ecclesiastical bodies having already been considered, it remains to inquire how far the "acts and opinions" of Anglican ecclesiastical bodies, ancient or modern, are binding upon this Diocese.

This Diocese, as an integral portion of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, has, in various ways, declared her entire independence of all such authority. The preface to the Book of Common Prayer declares, that when "these American States became independent with respect to civil government, their ecclesiastical independence was necessarily included, and the different religious denominations of Christians in these States were left at full and equal liberty to model

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and organize their respective churches and forms of worship and discipline in such manner as they might judge most convenient for their future prosperity consistently with the Constitution and laws of their country."

All limitations upon the liberty of our Church, from "the acts or opinions" of any authority external to the country are hereby expressly repudiated.

The inheritance of doctrinal and liturgical treasures from the Church of England, and the gift from the same source of the Episcopal succession, did undoubtedly lay the Protestant Episcopal Church under the obligation of gratitude to the Mother Church. The assurances given by American churchmen to the Archbishop of Canterbury, that this branch of the Church was "far from intending to depart from the Church of England in any essential point of doctrine, discipline or worship, or further than local circumstances require," is a pledge which must always be remembered.

But a careful study of the formation of the Constitution will show that no act or opinion of the Church of England was considered binding on American soil, except in so far as established by the authority of the American Church. In harmony with all the early documents of the General Church is the solemn resolution of the Convention of the Church in Maryland in August 1783: "We consider it as the undoubted right of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in common with other Christian churches, under the American Revolution, to complete and preserve herself as an entire Church, agreeably to her ancient usages and professions, and to have the full enjoyment and free exercise of those purely spiritual powers which are essential to the being of every Church or congregation, and which being derived only from Christ and his Apostles, are to be maintained independent of every foreign and other jurisdiction, so far as may be consistent with the civil rights of society."

In accordance with this principle of entire independence, the General Convention of 1814 thinking it expedient, with a view to questions of property that had arisen, to declare "that the Protestant Episcopal Church in America is the same body heretofore known in these States by the name of the Church of England," was mindful to add: "But it would be contrary to fact for any one to infer that the discipline exercised in this Church, or that any proceedings therein, are at all de-

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pendent on the will of the civil or ecclesiastical authority of any foreign country."

It has been maintained, we know by learned men, that an unascertained portion of English Canon law is binding upon the American Church; but your Committee, after weighing all that has been said in support of this view, are of opinion that it cannot be sustained. English Canons doubtless have been the source of usages, which usages may be regarded as an ecclesiastical common law; but the authority on which such common law rests is not the Canon to which it may be traced, but the fact of old established custom in this Church. So far as the Diocese of Virginia is concerned, we may be content to abide by the formal resolution of her Convention in 1785, which has never been revoked or gainsaid:

"*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Convention that the Canons of the Church of England have no obligation on the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Commonwealth."

Upon the whole, your Committee would express, as the result of their examination of this part of their inquiry, the confident belief that although the "acts and opinions" of Anglican ecclesiastical bodies, ancient and modern, must always have a special interest and instructive value for the Diocese of Virginia, yet she is not to be governed by them, except in so far as they may be embodied in American Constitutions and Canons, or preserved in usages so old and general in this Church, as to have acquired the authority of customs. The binding sanction of such customs, it will be observed, is not at all to be referred to the foreign ecclesiastical body whose Canons may be historically connected with said customs, but exclusively to the authority of the American Church which allows or recognizes them.

Your Committee having been instructed to enquire and report, do not feel called upon to offer anything for adoption by this Council, but submit the conclusions to which their studies have led them upon the topics committed to them for examination.

For the fuller elucidation of the subject, your committee beg leave to append a succinct statement of principles, and likewise a brief historical view of Primitive Diocesan Episcopacy. These principles are either implied in, or recognized by the foregoing report, and the view of Di-

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ocesan Episcopacy contained in the appended paper, is that which in this report is assumed as correct.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. NORTON,
J. S. HANCKEL,
HUGH W. SHEFFEY,
ROB. T. CRAIGHILL,
} *Committee.*

June, 1877.

The Council then adjourned until nine o'clock on Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1878, 9 A. M.

The Council met at 9 A. M. and was called to order by the Bishop, after prayer by Rev. Joseph Packard, D. D.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address:

REPORT OF BISHOP WHITTLE.

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:

As required by Canon, I proceed to give, as briefly as possible, an account of the services performed by me during the past year.

1877, May 20.—In Trinity Church, Staunton, confirmed seventeen.

May 26.—St. John's, Spotsylvania, confirmed five.

May 27.—St. Margaret's, Caroline, confirmed three.

May 28.—Christ Church, Spotsylvania, confirmed three. These three churches enjoy the faithful ministrations of Rev. W. N. Ward.

June 2.—Merchant's Hope Church, Prince George county, confirmed four.

June 3.—St. John's, City Point, confirmed seven.

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June 5.—Christ Church, Mathews, confirmed seven.

June 6.—Trinity, Mathews, confirmed three.

June 7.—Ware, Gloucester, confirmed seven, presented by Rev. Wm. Munford, the rector, Rev. Mr. Mann, having been confined to his house, by age and infirmity, for several months.

June 8.—Abingdon Church, Gloucester, confirmed nineteen.

June 9.—Grace, Yorktown, confirmed six, presented by Rev. A. Y. Hundley, who now ministers regularly to the congregation.

June 10.—In the morning preached in James City Chapel, and at night in Bruton Church, Williamsburg, and in the latter confirmed five. This Parish, then vacant, now has for its rector Rev. H. Wall, D. D.

June 12.—Mapsico Church, Charles City, confirmed two, and the next day in Westover Church, in the same Parish, confirmed three.

June 17.—Buckmountain Church, Albemarle, confirmed seven. In the afternoon of the same day, confirmed twelve in Christ Church, Charlottesville, of whom five were students from the University.

June 22.—In Grace Church, Alexandria, after sermon by Dr. Minnigerode, confirmed two.

June 23.—Christ Church, Alexandria, confirmed twelve.

June 24.—Assisted by Rev. Robt. F. Jackson, consecrated St. John's Church, Langley, Fairfax county, preached and confirmed three. That afternoon preached in Fall's Church, and at night, after sermon by Dr. Minnigerode in the Seminary Chapel, made an address and confirmed nine.

June 25.—St. Paul's, Alexandria, confirmed sixteen.

June 26.—In consequence of a storm, I failed to meet an appointment at St. John's Church, West End. Bishop Penick, at my request, confirmed one in Meade chapel (colored), Alexandria.

June 29.—In the Seminary chapel, after sermon by Bishop Penick, ordained eight persons deacons, and nine deacons priests.

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July 8.—St. Peter's, New Kent, confirmed ten.

July 18.—In St. Andrew's, Richmond, after sermon by Rev. A. W. Weddell, confirmed seven.

July 22.—Preached morning and night in Grace Church, Berryville, and confirmed nineteen.

July 23.—Christ Church, Winchester, confirmed fifty-four.

July 24.—Baptized a child of the rector, and preached in Christ Church, Millwood.

July 25.—In the Bishop Meade Memorial Church, White Post, confirmed six.

July 26.—St. Thomas', Middletown, confirmed five.

July 27.—Calvary, Front Royal, confirmed three.

July 29.—Consecrated St. Andrew's Church, Mt. Jackson. Rev. John K. Mason rector, who with Rev. Messrs. Wheat, Lea, Dorsey and Weddell, assisted in the services, the latter preaching the sermon. At night in the same Church, after sermon by Rev. A. W. Weddell, confirmed nine.

July 30.—Emmanuel Church, Harrisonburg, confirmed three.

August 8.—Preached in Mt. Zion Church, Hedgesville.

August 9.—Trinity, Martinsburg, confirmed eleven.

August 10.—Trinity, Shepherdstown, confirmed thirteen, one being colored.

August 11.—St. Bartholomew's, Leetown, confirmed one.

August 12.—Christ Church, Berkeley county, confirmed one.

August 13.—Preached in Grace Church, Middleway, Jefferson county.

August 14.—Zion Church, Charlestown, confirmed twenty-six.

August 15.—Consecrated St. John's Church, Ripon, Jefferson county, West Virginia, and preached. Revs. W. H. Meade, Leavell, Duncan, Lea, Wheat, and F. A. Meade, minister in charge, assisted in the services.

August 16.—After sermon by Rev. J. W. Lea, made an address, and confirmed six in Wickliffe Church, Clarke county.

August 18.—Emmanuel, Middleburg, confirmed nine.

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August 19.—Trinity, Upperville, confirmed three.

August 27.—Emmanuel, Amherst, confirmed four.

August 28.—Trinity, Bedford, confirmed nine.

August 29.—In St. Stephen's Church, Bedford, preached, ordained the minister in charge priest, and confirmed two. Rev. Messrs. Hanckel, Carson, and C. D. Walker, kindly assisted in the services. That night in St. John's, Liberty, confirmed fifteen.

August 30.—St. Thomas', Bedford, confirmed twelve.

August 31.—Preached in St. Mark's, Bedford.

September 1.—Preached in Christ Church, in the same county.

September 2.—In the morning confirmed five in St. John's Church, New River Depot, and in the afternoon fifteen in Emmanuel Church, Dublin, Pulaski county. These are new churches in a new field, where Rev. George S. Gibbs and his co-laborers, amidst many difficulties, have much to encourage them.

September 3.—Read prayers, preached and confirmed twelve in St. John's, Wytheville, the rector, Rev. G. W. Nelson, being unavoidably absent.

September 4 and 5.—Assisted by Rev. Mr. Gibbs. Services were held in Christ Church, Marion, Smyth county, and seven confirmed.

September 6.—St. Thomas, Abingdon, confirmed four.

September 7.—Emmanuel, Goodson, confirmed one.

September 9.—In the Agricultural College chapel, Blacksburg, ordained Rev. John McNabb to the priesthood, and confirmed four, of whom three were students of the college. I was assisted in the services by Revs. J. J. Norwood, G. S. Gibbs and N. P. Dame. At night confirmed three at Central depot, Montgomery county.

September 16.—Assisted by Rev. H. Suter and the rector, Rev. John R. Lee, I consecrated Trinity Church, Franklin C. H., and confirmed twenty-six. I think neither minister nor people expected to live to see such a day for our beloved

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church at Rocky Mount, and there was great joy in that village.

September 19.—St. Paul's Church, Woodville, Rappahannock, confirmed five.

September 20.—Trinity, Washington, confirmed five.

September 21.—St. Johns, Amisville, confirmed one, and consecrated the plain, but very neat and comfortable, building, erected chiefly by the untiring efforts of one devoted woman and her husband, to the worship and service of God. Rev. J. G. Minnigerode kindly conveyed me through the county of Rappahannock, and, with the rector, Rev. E. W. Hubard, assisted in all the services.

From the 4th to the 31st October I was in Boston and New York, attending the General Convention and meetings of our evangelical societies.

November 7.—Calvary Church, Dinwiddie C. H., confirmed one, presented by Rev. Dr. Gibson, who officiates regularly here, in addition to his other abundant labors.

November 8.—Was prevented by rain from filling an appointment at Sapony Church.

November 9.—Confirmed five in Trinity Church, Brunswick, and baptized an infant.

November 10.—Preached in St. Luke's Church, Nottoway.

November 11.—In the Presbyterian Church, Nottoway C. H., which was kindly loaned us, our own building not being finished, confirmed two, presented by Rev. Mr. Sutton, deacon, who was regularly officiating here.

November 12.—Preached in St. Paul's, Lunenburg.

November 13.—In St. John's baptized a child of the rector and confirmed four.

November 18.—Old Church, Mecklenburg, confirmed five.

November 19.—St. Timothy's, Clarksville, confirmed five.

November 20.—St. James', Boydton, preached morning and night and confirmed twenty.

November 21.—In the county Poor House, confirmed six, two being colored. Here the indefatigable rector ministers

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regularly to a good congregation, composed of inmates of the house and people of the neighborhood, for whose accommodation he is trying to build a chapel. He will be thankful for help from any quarter in this good work of preaching the gospel to the poor.

November 22.—Preached in St. Luke's Church, Mecklenburg.

November 23.—Had an appointment at St. Andrew's, but no congregation because of the rain.

November 25.—Preached in the morning to the white, and in the afternoon to the colored congregation in St. Andrew's, Lawrenceville, and confirmed five of the former, and three of the latter.

November 26.—In Sapony Church, Dinwiddie, confirmed five.

December 16.—Christ Church, Richmond, confirmed seven.

December 18.—In St. Paul's, Richmond, assisted by Rev. Drs. Minnigerode and Peterkin, advanced Rev. C. C. Randolph to the priesthood. Sermon by Rev. Pike Powers.

December 30.—Consecrated St. Andrew's, a chapel of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, a beautiful frame building. Rev. Dr. Minnigerode rector, Rev. P. Powers assistant minister, and Rev. R. A. Gibson took part in the services, the sentence of consecration being read by Mr. George A. Barksdale.

1878, January 12.—Received notice of the intention of certain members of St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, to petition this Council that they be allowed to form a new congregation.

January 27.—Preached morning and night in St. James' Church, Warrenton, and confirmed thirteen.

January 28.—At night read prayers, and preached in Ascension Church, Amherst Court-house.

January 29.—Read prayers, and preached morning and night in the same Church; baptized two adults, and confirmed nine.

January 30.—Read prayers, baptized an infant and an

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adult; preached and confirmed four in St. Mark's Church, New Glasgow. These two churches had been vacant for several months by the death of their beloved and lamented rector, Rev. Charles D. Walker.

February 9.—In St. Mark's, Richmond, advanced Rev. F. A. Meade to the priesthood. Rev. Mr. Barrett read the morning prayer, Mr. Dashiell preached, and Dr. Minnigerode presented the candidate.

February 11.—Received notice of a petition to be presented to this Council for the division of Overwharton Parish, Stafford county.

February 20.—In the morning preached in St. James', Brentsville, and in the afternoon in Trinity Church, Manassas.

February 21.—Preached at Clifton Station, Fairfax county.

February 22.—In St. John's, Centreville, confirmed four, and in Christ Church, Chantilly, three.

February 23.—In the Methodist Church, Herndon, Fairfax county, confirmed twenty.

February 24.—Confirmed in Zion Church, Fairfax Courthouse twenty-five, Falls eight, and in Christ Church, Alexandria, thirteen.

February 26.—In Christ Church, Winchester, confirmed forty, making ninety-four during the year.

March 3.—In St. John's Church, West End, Alexandria, advanced Rev. J. J. Lloyd and Rev. Henry S. Derby to the priesthood, and confirmed eight. Rev. K. Nelson and B. D. Tucker assisted in the services, the latter preaching the sermon and presenting the candidates. The same day confirmed eight in St. Paul's, and twenty-five in Grace Church, Alexandria.

March 8.—Grace, Petersburg, confirmed thirty-five.

March 9.—St. Paul's, Petersburg, confirmed nineteen.

March 10.—Confirmed in St. John's Church thirteen (three from Grace), in The Good Shepherd four, and in St. Stephen's (colored) eighteen.

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March 18.—Preached in the Methodist Church, West Point, and confirmed two, presented by Rev. F. M. Baker.

March 16.—Preached in Trinity Church, Hanover.

March 17.—Preached morning and night in Fork Church, and confirmed twenty-three.

March 20.—In the Monumental Church, Richmond, at a Lent service of Rev. H. S. Kepler, (the rectorship being vacant by the death of the lamented Dr. Woodbridge), I baptized seven infants.

March 24.—Preached morning and night in St. John's Church, Halifax Courthouse, and confirmed twenty-five.

March 25.—In the morning in Grace Church, Halifax, confirmed seven, and at night in the Church of the Epiphany, Danville, confirmed ten.

March 27.—Preached in St. Luke's, Halifax, which has long been vacant.

March 30.—In St. Paul's Chapel, Berkeley, confirmed six.

March 31.—Confirmed in Christ Church, Norfolk, thirty, in St. Paul's ten, and in St. Luke's fourteen.

April 1.—In Emmanuel, Princess Anne, confirmed twenty-two.

April 2.—Eastern Shore Chapel, confirmed twelve. This Parish has wonderfully revived under the wise and faithful labors of Rev. Edwin A. Penick.

April 2.—At night preached in Emmanuel Chapel, Norfolk.

April 3.—In St. John's, Portsmouth, confirmed two,

April 4.—Was prevented by rain from filling an appointment at the Glebe Church, Nansemond.

April 5.—Confirmed five in St. John's and five in St. Paul's, Nansemond, one of the latter being from St. John's, Portsmouth.

April 6.—In the church of our Saviour, Ivor, Southampton, baptized an adult, and confirmed four.

April 7.—Consecrated St. Andrew's, Sussex county, preached and confirmed nine. Rev. Robb White, the faithful and acceptable missionary in charge, assisted in the services. At

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night preached and confirmed four at Waverly in the same county. Here a very neat and substantial building has been purchased, which, at a small expense, can be made a nice church. Rev. Dr. Hains of Petersburg conducts regular monthly services, and is quite encouraged in his efforts to build up a congregation.

April 12.—St. George's, Fredericksburg, confirmed nineteen.

The week before Easter visited the churches in Richmond, confirming as follows:

April 14.—St. Andrew's fifteen, St. James' twenty-two, and Moore Memorial five.

April 15—St. Mark's thirty-three.

April 16.—Grace twenty-four.

April 17.—Monumental fourteen, and baptized three adults.

April 18.—St. John's forty.

April 19.—St. Paul's, twenty-nine.

April 20.—Assisted by Rev. H. S. Kepler, F. Stringfellow, and P. M. Boyden, deacon in charge, consecrated St. Mary's Church in the lower end of Goochland county, and confirmed two.

April 21.—Easter Sunday preached and celebrated the Lord's supper in the same Church. This is a very neat and pretty building, in a destitute neighborhood where our Church is hardly known at all, and has been erected and paid for entirely through the persevering and untiring efforts of a lady of the congregation. May God honor her who has thus honored Him!

April 26.—In Trinity Staunton, confirmed twenty-three, one of them being colored.

April 28.—Grace, Lexington, confirmed eighteen.

April 30.—Christ Church, Charlottesville, confirmed eleven.

May 1.—St. Paul's, Albemarle, confirmed fifteen.

May 2.—In Emmanuel, confirmed seven.

May 3.—Trinity, confirmed two.

May 4.—Christ Church, Green Mountain, confirmed one.

May 5.—Assisted by the rector, Rev. T. E. Locke, conse-

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crated St. John's Church, Scottsville, a very pretty building, and complete in all its arrangements. Six persons were confirmed.

May 12.—In the morning confirmed two in the Meade Memorial Church, Manchester, and at night in Christ Church, Richmond, nineteen.

May 14.—In St. Paul's, Lynchburg, confirmed sixteen.

The following persons have been received as postulants for candidateship for holy orders since last Council:—Edward S. Gregory, Henry M. Parker, Lawrence R. Combs, John Moncure, Thomas J. Jackson, John A. Crockett, Theophilus S. Alfriend, Arthur S. Lloyd, Thomas L. Cole, Duncan McCulloh, W. S. Campbell, J. G. Shackelford, M. T. Turner, Douglas Hooff, S. Gordon Fry, J. Yates Downman.

Candidates for deacon's orders:—Richard A. Payne and John H. M. Pollard, colored.

Candidates for priest's orders:—Rev. Messrs. James R. Winchester, P. M. Boyden, N. P. Dame, Edwin A. Penick, Oscar S. Bunting, William W. Walker, Alexander Y. Hundley, and Messrs. Frank D. Lee, B. T. Turner, G. W. Dame, Arthur P. Gray, Curtis Grubb, William B. Lee, Frank Page, S. S. Ware, J. W. Ware, C. B. Bryan, Edwin B. Rice, Robert R. Claiborne, Edward S. Gregory, Thomas J. Packard, Edwin H. Wellman, Arthur S. Lloyd and Thomas W. Cain, colored.

Persons who have been ordained deacons, with their fields of labor, in the Seminary Chapel June 29th, 1877:—P. M. Boyden, Goochland county; O. S. Bunting, assistant, Epiphany Church, Danville; N. P. Dame, Montgomery county; E. H. Hall, Pocahontas county, West Virginia; E. A. Penick, Princess Anne county; W. W. Walker, Fairfax and Prince William counties; J. R. Winchester, assistant St. James', Richmond; I. K. Yokoyama, Japan.

The following deacons were ordained priests in the Seminary Chapel June 29th, 1877:—Rev. R. S. Barrett, Christ Church, Richmond; W. S. Jones, Grace Church, Fauquier; R. D. Roller, St. Martin's Parish, Hanover; F. Stringfellow, St.

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James', Southam Parish, Powhatan; J. K. Mason, St. Andrew's Church, Mt. Jackson and St. Thomas', Middletown; Thomas Spencer, assistant Grace, Petersburg; George S. Gibbs, Emmanuel and St. John's churches, Pulaski; J. J. Gravatt, St. John's, Hampton; R. F. Jackson, Jr., Georgia.

Since then I have held the following ordinations:

August 29.—In St. Stephen's Church, Bedford, Rev. A. Ware, rector.

September 9.—In the College Chapel, Blacksburg, Rev. John McNabb, St. Thomas' Church, Abingdon.

December 19.—In St. Paul's, Richmond:—Rev. C. C. Randolph, Maryland.

February 9, 1878.—In St. Mark's, Richmond, Rev. F. A. Meade, Newport Parish, Isle of Wight.

March 3.—In St. John's Church, West End, Alexandria:—Rev. J. J. Lloyd, Westmoreland; Rev. H. L. Derby, Lancaster.

Letters dismissory given:—Revs. R. F. Jackson, Jr., and E. H. Ingle, to Georgia; C. R. Page, C. C. Randolph, J. J. Sams and Ed. W. Wroth, to Maryland; I. K. Yokoyama, to Japan; Arthur S. Johns, to Delaware; James G. Minnigerode and T. A. Tidball to Kentucky; Charles Morris, to Alabama.

Letters dismissory received:—Revs. C. R. Page, from Kentucky; Wm. Munford, Louisiana; Henry Wall, D. D., and Edw'd Wall, Huron, Canada; W. E. Webb, Ohio; J. G. Armstrong, West Virginia.

The following clergymen have died during the past year:—Rev. Charles D. Walker, rector of Lexington Parish, Amherst county, 23 September 1877, after a ministry of little more than two years, in the twenty-ninth year of his age. December 18, 1877, Rev. C. Y. Steptoe, rector of Christ and St. Paul's Churches, Culpeper county. January 16, 1878, Rev. Charles Mann, in the eighty-seventh year of his age, and for forty years rector of Ware Church, Gloucester county. February 14, 1878, Rev. George Woodbridge, D. D., the beloved rector of the congregation of the Monumental Church, Richmond,

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for more than forty-five years, in his seventy-fourth year. I will attempt no eulogy on these dear brethren. With those who knew them none is needed. Enough that it can be truly said of each one, he was faithful unto death, and, we doubt not, has received the crown of everlasting life. Thus the young and the old alike are taken away, to warn us all that our time also is short. May we so heed the warning that, when called to give account of our stewardship, we may be prepared to do it with joy, and not with grief.

OTHER CHANGES AMONGST THE CLERGY.

Rev. J. G. Armstrong has accepted the rectorship of Monumental Church, Richmond.

Rev. H. H. Cole has resigned Emmanuel Church, Northumberland county.

Rev. E. H. Ingle has resigned Salem Parish, Roanoke county.

Rev. A. S. Johns has resigned Hungar's Parish, Northampton.

Rev. W. H. Johnson has resigned Meade and Johns Parishes, Fauquier and Loudoun counties.

Rev. J. W. Keeble has resigned Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George.

Rev. H. B. Lee has ceased to be assistant minister of St. James', Richmond, and become rector of Leed's Parish, Fauquier.

Rev. R. J. McBryde, late chaplain at the University of Virginia, is rector of St. George's, Fredericksburg.

Rev. John McGill has resigned his charge in Fairfax county, and accepted that of Christ and St. Paul's churches, Culpeper.

Rev. F. A. Meade has exchanged Wickliffe Parish, Clarke county, for Newport, Isle of Wight, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. E. W. Wroth.

Rev. J. G. Minnigerode has resigned St. Stephen's, Culpeper, Rev. Edward Wall supplying his place.

Rev. H. Wall, D. D., has become rector of Bruton Parish, Williamsburg.

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Rev. Charles Morris, who was laboring at Ashland and Louisa Court-house, has removed to Alabama, and Rev. C. C. Randolph from Mathews to Maryland.

Rev. J. J. Sams has left the Meade Memorial Church, Manchester, vacant by his removal to Maryland.

Rev. F. G. Scott has resigned Christ Church, Gordonsville, and Rev. P. Slaughter, D. D., Emmanuel, Culpeper, both because of bad health.

Trinity Church, Portsmouth, has been left vacant by the resignation of Rev. T. A. Tidball.

The following lay readers have been licensed:—Theoderick A. Williams and William D. Martin, St. Luke's Church, Norfolk; George B. Harrison, Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George; Edward S. Gregory, Grace Church, Petersburg; Robert H. Tyler, Leed's Parish, Prince William; John Howard and Charles Morris, Ashland; Job Turner (a deaf mute) at large; Barton Myers and James W. Hunter, Emmanuel Chapel, Norfolk; P. H. Powers, Wickliffe Church, Clarke county.

SUMMARY.

Visitations,		139
Baptisms,	Infants, 12 Adults, 7	19
Confirmations,	White, 1,290 Colored, 28	1,318
Funerals,		1
Churches consecrated,		9
Lay readers licensed,		11
Postulants received,		16
Candidates for deacon's orders,		2
Candidates for priest's orders,		24
Persons ordained deacons,		8
Deacons ordained priests,		15
Letters dismissory received,		6
Letters dismissory given,		11
Ministers deceased,		4
Received notice of ministers deposed,		13

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There is no occasion for me to speak of the different benevolent and educational institutions of the Diocese, as their condition will be reported by their respective officers. I do, however, earnestly commend them to your continued confidence and support.

I am sorry to be obliged to say that I have not had time to attend to the request of the last Council conveyed in a resolution which was offered by a Committee on Church Schools, and which may be found on page 75 of the Journal, but hope to be able to do so hereafter.

By the last Council it was—

"*Resolved*, That $1,000 from the Contingent Fund of the Diocese be placed at the Bishop's absolute disposal for the relief, at his discretion, of either missionaries or parochial clergy, whose stipends are inadequate to their support, and that of the expenditure of this amount no report to the Council be asked or expected."

I have discharged this delicate trust to the best of my ability, and have been the happy medium of helping to relieve the wants of twenty-one of my very poorly paid brethren of the clergy. I cannot consent to give no account of my stewardship in this matter, and therefore add the following:

Having at the bishop's request, examined vouchers which he submitted to me, I certify that he has expended the $1,000 intrusted to him by the first resolution on page 84 of the Journal of 1877, as directed by said resolution.

Signed, T. G. DASHIELL.

The sum of $2,000 was placed at my disposal, by resolution of the last Council, (Journal, page 75) "to be employed according to my judgment, to the support of evangelistic services or evangelists, to aid me in survey of the Parishes of the Diocese and promoting religious services in destitute places." In trying to carry out this resolution, I induced Rev. T. G. Dashiell to devote several weeks of last summer to missionary labors along the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, at points extending from Hinton to Huntington. The Rev. J. J. Norwood was

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also appointed Evangelist for the year. He entered upon his duties the first of June, and has been since faithfully and acceptably laboring, chiefly in vacant parishes and at missionary points, and on the South side of James river, from Bristol on the Tennessee line, to Accomac on the Eastern Shore. But I have not been able to find another minister to do either temporary or permanent service. A report from Mr. Norwood will be published in the Journal. I trust it will be the pleasure of the Council to continue him in office, for I know of no man who is, in my judgment, better suited for his work. My account with the Evangelist Fund is herewith presented, from which it will be seen that there is the sum of $1,470 remaining in my hands, a balance, however, of $100 or more being still due Mr. Norwood. I ask that the account may be audited by a committee.

A more honorable support of the parochial clergy, and more liberal offerings to the work of missions, continue to be the great needs of our church. It will be seen that an unusually large number of ministers have left the Diocese during the past year, the one cause, in the large majority of cases, being the necessity which was laid upon them of providing a maintenance for themselves and their families.

Acting by the advice of the Executive Committee of our Diocesan Missionary Society, I have relinquished the aid which has, for a number of years, been so generously extended to us by the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions. Larger contributions must therefore be made to our missionary treasury, or the committee cannot continue the work now going on, to say nothing of the impossibility of their sending forth laborers into the many new fields which are white for the harvest.

Those faithful and wise stewards, Bishops Meade and Johns, assisted in organizing the Evangelical Knowledge, the Evangelical Educational, and the American Church Missionary Societies, and repeatedly urged you to give them your cordial and liberal support. I would earnestly reiterate their commen-

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dations of these societies, and ask for them the continued confidence and pecuniary help of the Diocese. They have done an incalculable amount of good in the past, for which we owe them a large debt of gratitude, but, in my judgment, at no time in the history of our Church has there been so great a necessity for their existence and work, as there is now. I would especially direct attention to what follows from the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Knowledge Society, for the reason which they mention.

"As there seems to be some misapprehension as to the present status and plans of the society, the Executive Committee beg leave to submit the following statement:

The society is not in debt, nor is it inactive. By reason of the embarrassments of its securities it has but little income besides the contributions of its friends; and owing to the impression that it had quite a large vested fund, and also that it was not as actively engaged in work as formerly, it has been thought that there was no special need of contributions to its treasury. The consequence is, that under the pressure of other claims but little has been received. With such means as the Committee have had at command, they have been engaged in putting into circulation, particularly among the clergy and theological students, various publications of the society and other works, selected with special reference to the more important questions now agitating our Church. Within a few weeks more than a thousand dollars' worth of such books has been distributed among individuals of the clergy and theological students.

The Committee have no wish to stir up unnecessary strife or provoke angry controversies, and thus break a true and loyal harmony among brethren; but they cannot shut their eyes to the errors which now assail and threaten to undermine the very foundations not only of our Protestant Church but of our common faith. To contend, and that earnestly, against these errors, is a plain duty which loyalty to the Church and

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allegiance to Christ, the great Head of the Church, plainly and imperatively demand.

Will our brethren aid us in this work? A little effort on the part of the clergy and laity who sympathize with the Committee will supply all needed funds."

In his address to the Council of 1872, my venerated predecessor earnestly warned communicants against the inconsistency of indulging in "a demoralizing dissipation," which he denounced as "that lascivious mode of promiscuous dancing, styled the round dance."—"This scandal," he said, "is not to be tolerated in the Church of Christ. Let every appeal be made in the way of affectionate remonstrance, judicious teaching and earnest prayer for the reformation of those led astray, "if God peradventure will give them repentance." If all such efforts prove unavailing, and to remove the scandal, and at the same time employ the last expedient for awakening the offender to a sense of his sin and danger, it becomes necessary to resort to the exercise of decided discipline it must be done." I adopt this language as my own, that he being dead may yet speak on this important matter. Perhaps his words struck some as being too strong and harsh when they were first uttered, who think very differently now after six years' observation and experience. Certain it is, that many of our wisest and best people, ministers and laymen, judging the tree by its fruit, have become alarmed lest the effect of this dreadful evil of round dancing shall be not only to injure pure and undefiled religion in the Church, but even to sap the very foundations of all social virtue and morality. I will not discuss its character and consequences. For while St. Paul wrote to the Church in Ephesus that it was a shame even to speak of those things which were done by some *in secret*, I should feel ashamed even to speak, as the truth would require, of this thing which is done *openly before all.* I will only say, that I trust no man or woman will be presented for confirmation who means to continue to participate in this abomination. And if the ministers

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of the Church have no authority to discipline communicants as "notorious evil livers" who practice it, surely this Council should not fail to clothe them with such authority by Canon.

The action of the last Council in cutting off the State of West Virginia from the Diocese of Virginia and erecting it into a separate Diocese, was ratified by the General Convention which sat in Boston last October. The primary council of the new Diocese was convened in Charleston on the 5th day of December 1877, and was duly organized as "The Diocese of West Virginia." I having elected to be attached to the Diocese of Virginia, the Diocese of West Virginia was placed by its Council under my "full episcopal charge and authority," and has so continued to the present time. The Rev. Jas. H. Eccleston, D. D. was elected bishop, but he having declined to accept, the first annual Council met in Charlestown, 27th February, 1878, and made choice of Rev. George W. Peterkin for that important and responsible office, a result in which, I am sure, the church in Virginia greatly rejoices. His consecration is appointed to take place in the city of Wheeling on the 30th instant, after which the complete establishment of the new Diocese will have been consummated. I recommend that this Council appoint a committee to confer with one which has been appointed by West Virginia, to consider any pecuniary or other questions between the two Dioceses which may need to be settled.

I owe it to you, my dear brethren, and to myself, to say that I have been enabled, by the help of God, to accomplish an amount of visitation work during the past year greater than ought to be expected of any man, and greater than I can promise to perform in the future. I feel able to do all that is necessary, in my judgment, for the interest of religion and the growth and prosperity of the Church, and more than all that is required of me by the Canons. I do not, therefore, ask for any relief or assistance. But whether what I have done has been, or what I may be able to do hereafter will be, satisfactory to the Diocese, it is for you to decide. If a more fre-

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quent visitation of the churches is demanded, there is but one of two ways, as you are aware, by which it can be secured,—viz, either by another division of the Diocese, or by the election of an assistant bishop. As to the first, I am convinced that a large majority of the people on the south side of James river are utterly opposed to the cutting off of that part of the State as a separate Diocese; and my opinion is, that a large majority of the people of Virginia are opposed to any division whatever. From the measure of division, therefore, with my convictions, I should feel obliged in conscience to withhold my consent. As to the other method of relief, I will merely say, without at all discusisng the question, that so far from being able to see any objection to an assistant bishop, it is just what, in my judgment, this Diocese and many other Dioceses ought always to have. With this candid, and, I trust, plain, statement of my views on this subject, I leave it to you to do something or nothing as you may think best.

In closing this, my tenth annual address, I beg to be permitted to put on record an expression of my very deep and grateful sense of the unvarying forbearance, confidence and kindness which I have received at the hands of my beloved brethren, the clergy and laity of this dear old Diocese of Virginia. May God, by his Holy Spirit, direct, sanctify, and govern you in your present work; and may he abundantly bless you and those whom you represent, both now and ever more, through Jesus Christ his Son.—AMEN.

The following clergy, absent yesterday, appeared and took their seats to-day:

Rev. D. C. T. Davis,	Rev. J. M. Meredith,
" J. A. Greaves,	" L. J. Sothoron,
" H. M. Jackson,	" F. G. Scott,
" John J. Lloyd,	" John A. Wharton,

Rev. Edmund Withers.

Mr. Thomas Moore offered the following:

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Report of Committee on Credentials.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to increased Episcopal services be referred to a Committee consisting of six clergymen and five laymen. The resolution was adopted, and the following Committee appointed:

Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D.,	Rev. W. Q. Hullihen,
" O. S. Barten, D. D.,	Mr. Thomas Moore,
" George W. Dame,	" J. Ravenscroft Jones,
" T. M. Carson,	" Geo. B. Harrison,
" R. J. McBryde,	" Taylor Berry,

Mr. Geo. P. Tayloe.

In accordance with the request of the bishop, the Rev. W. M. Dame moved that a Committee of three be appointed to audit the bishop's evangelist account. Carried, and the following Committee appointed:

Rev. W. M. Dame, Mr. Cassius F. Lee, Jr.,
Mr. George B. Harrison.

Rev. J. B. Newton presented the following report of the Committee on Credentials:

Abbott, W. R., St. Stephen's Church, Bedford.
Adams, Richard H., Montgomery Parish, Montgomery.
Anderson, Joseph R., St. Paul's Church, Richmond.
Barton, W. S., Trinity Church, Fredericksburg.
Baughman, Chas. C., Christ Church, Richmond.
Beckwith, Dr. T. S., St. John's Church, Petersburg.
Berkeley, Carter N., Raleigh Parish, Amelia.
Berkeley, L. C., Epiphany Church, Danville.
Berry, Taylor, Lexington Parish, Amherst.
Beveridge, John W., St. Mark's Church, Richmond.
Beverley, Robert, Whittle Parish, Fauquier.
Blackford, Chas. M., St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.
Blackford, L. M., Falls Church, Fairfax.
Boggs, Hugh L., St. John's Church, Spotsylvania.
Boggs, L. A., St. John's Church, Spottsylvania.
Bolling, W. H., St. John's Church, Wytheville.
Bouldin, T. T., Cornwall Parish, Charlotte.
Brown, Jno. T., Nelson Parish, Nelson.

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Chase, Wm. T., Christ Church Parish, Lancaster.
Claiborne, Dr. Jas. W., Grace Church, Petersburg.
Claiborne, John H., St. James' Church, Richmond.
Cole, R. F., Bruton Parish Church, Williamsburg.
Cook, J. C., St. David's Parish, King William.
Cosby, C. E., Rivanna Parish, Fluvanna.
Cuthbert, Jas. E., St. Paul's Church, Petersburg.
Davis, Ro. J., Grace Church, Lynchburg.
Deshields, Henry C., Wicomico Parish, Northumberland.
Dickinson, Jno. F., Hanover Parish, King George.
Digges, William C., St. Margaret Church, Caroline.
Fisher, Geo. D., Monumental Church, Richmond.
Goode, E. B., St. James' Parish, Mecklenburg.
Godwin, T. G., Botetourt Parish, Botetourt county.
Gordon, Dr. D. C., Hamilton Parish, Fauquier.
Green, Jno. W., St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.
Halsey, Don P., Grace Church, Richmond.
Harrison, George B., Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George.
Harrison, William H., Merchants' Hope. Prince George.
Harvie, Dr. J. B., Emmanuel Church, Powhatan.
Holland, C. L., Epiphany Church, Danville.
Holman, William, Leighton Parish, Cumberland county.
Horseley, John, Tillotson Parish, Buckingham.
Howell, Jno. M., Cotocton Church, Loudon.
Hunter, Ro., W., Christ Church, Winchester.
Jacob, Henry, St. Patrick's Parish, Prince Edward.
Jones, J. R., St. Andrew's Parish, Brunswick.
Jordan, W. V., St. John's Church, Liberty.
Kean, Dr. O. W., St. Mary's Church, Goochland.
Kerrick, H. B., Leeds Parish, Fauquier.
Lane, Dr. Thomas B., Kingston Parish, Mathews.
Lawrence, R. S., Cople Parish, Westmoreland.
Lee, C. F., Jr., Christ Church, Alexandria.
Letcher, John D., alternate, Epiphany Church, Danville.
Lewis, Andrew, Emmanuel Church, Harrisonburg.
Lippitt, Charles E., Dr., Clarke Parish, Clarke.
Loyall, B. P., Christ Church, Norfolk.
Lumsden, William C., Grace Church, Petersburg.
Macon, George W., Walker's Parish, Albemarle.

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Marsden, B. A., St. Paul's Church, Norfolk.
Marston, O. J., Christ Church, Middlesex.
Meem, G. S., Beckford Parish, Shenandoah county.
Meem, J. G., Beckford Parish, Shenandoah.
Moncure, George V., Aquia Church, Stafford.
Moore, Thomas, Truro Parish, Fairfax.
Murdaugh, W. H., Trinity Church, Portsmouth.
Murray, Sterling, St. James' Parish, Leesburg.
Nalle, B. F., Emmanuel Church, Culpeper.
Nalle, J. B. W., St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper.
Nelson, William, St. Martin's Parish, Hanover.
Nelson, Wm. N., Cunningham Parish, Clark.
Pate, C., Lee Parish, Bedford.
Payne, John M., Trinity Church, Bedford.
Phillips, A. K., St. George Parish, Fredericksburg.
Phillips, G. R. C., St. John's Church, Halifax C. H.
Powell, Jno. H., St. James' Church, Richmond.
Powers, Philip H., Wickliffe Parish, Clarke.
Preston, T. L., Christ Church, Charlottesville.
(Davis, Eugene, alternate).
Randolph, B. M., Emmanuel Parish, Fauquier.
Riddick, Nathaniel, St. Paul's Church, Nansemond.
Sale, Thomas N., St. Thomas' Church, Bedford county.
Saunders, Fleming, Moore Parish, Campbell.
Sclater, L. H., St. John's Church, Hampton.
Scott, R. B., Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Ann.
Semmes, T. M., Grace Church, Lexington.
Service, H. H., Grace Church, Alexandria.
Shelton, R. C., Amherst Parish, Amherst county.
Shields, James W., St. John's Church, Richmond.
Skinner, James H., Trinity Church, Staunton.
Southall, Dr. P. F., Trinity Church, Dale Parish.
Stewart, John, Emmanuel Church, Henrico.
Taliaferro, Alfred, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper.
Taliaferro, T. S., Ware Church, Gloucester.
Tarry, G. P., St. Luke's Parish, Mecklenburg.
Tayloe, Geo. P., Roanoke Parish, Roanoke.
Taylor, Walter H., St. Luke's Church, Norfolk.
Thomas, R. S., Newport Parish, Isle of Wight.

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Thorpe, Arthur S., St. Paul's Church, Hay Market.
Walker, D. N., St. Paul's Church, Richmond.
Whittle, James M., Emmanuel Church, Pittsylvania.
Winston, B. L., St. Paul's Church, St. Paul's Parish, Hanover.
Wright, T. R. B., South Farnham Parish, Essex.

Rev. Dr. Packard presented the following report of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The Standing Committee beg leave to report that since the last Annual Council the following persons had been recommended as candidates for holy orders, viz:

Thomas J. Packard,	D. Watson Winn,
Henry M. Parker,	Arthur S. Lloyd,
W. W. Kimball,	E. L. Goodwin,
Mercer L. Logan,	J. S. Shackelford,
W. M. Clark,	Thomas W. Cain,
C. J. Mayo,	M. T. Turner.

The following for deacon's orders, viz:

W. W. Walker,	J. R. Winchester,
Oscar S. Bunting,	Emile J. Hall,
Isaac K. Yokoyama,	E. A. Penick,
P. M. Boyden,	Nelson P. Dame.

The following were recommended for priest's orders, viz:

Rev. R. S. Barrett,	Rev. W. Strother Jones,
" R. D. Roller,	" John K. Mason,
" Thos. Spencer,	" Albert Ware,
" C. C. Randolph,	" John McNabb,
" Frank Stringfellow,	" R. F. Jackson, Jr.,
" Geo. S. Gibbs,	" F. A. Meade,
" John J. Gravatt,	" J. J. Lloyd,

Rev. A. Y. Hundley.

Testimonials were signed in favor of the consecration of Rev. Dr. Eccleston, as bishop elect of West Virginia; Rev. Dr. Peterkin as

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bishop elect of West Virginia; and Rev. Dr. Burgess as bishop elect of the Diocese of Quincy.

Signed, J. PACKARD, *President.*
G. H. NORTON, *Secretary.*

Alexandria, May, 1878.

The bishop presented papers from the Standing Committee on Colored Congregations, asking that they be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. On motion, they were so referred.

The bishop presented the report of the Bruce Fund, which was referred to its appropriate committee.

Rev. F. M. Baker then presented the annual report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, as follows:

During the year ending May, 1878, the names of thirty-one clergymen have been on the books of this society as missionaries laboring within the bounds of this Diocese. Of this number three have become connected with the Diocese of West Virginia, as their fields of labor lie within the bounds of that new Diocese, two have removed from this Diocese, and two others have voluntarily withdrawn their names from the list, leaving the present number twenty-four.

Their names and fields of labor are as follows:

The Rev. P. F. Berkeley, Amelia county.
" R. S. Barrett, Richmond city.
" Giles B. Cooke, Petersburg.
" James B. Craighill, Suffolk.
" D. C. T. Davis, Albemarle co.
" H. L. Derby, Lancaster county.
" Wm. B. Gordon, Accomac co.
" J. H. Hundley, King William county.
" A. Y. Hundley, Yorktown.
" W. Strother Jones, Fauquier co.
" H. S. Kepler, New Kent co.
" J. J. Lloyd, Westmoreland co.
" T. E. Locke, Albemarle co.
The Rev. J. P. Lawrence, Amherst co.
" E. B. McGuire, King George county.
" L. R. Mason, Charlotte county.
" J. M. Meredith, Stafford county.
" Wm. Munford, Mathews co.
" Alex. Overby, Essex county.
" R. D. Roller, Hanover county.
" L. J. Sothoron, Lunenburg co.
" A. B. Tizzard, Chesterfield co.
" R. White, Brunswick, Greensville and Sussex counties.
" Wm. N. Ward, Spotsylvania and Caroline counties.

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FINANCES.

The balance on hand, as shown by the last report, was	$736 42
The receipts for the year ending May, 1878, were	5,187 01
Making a total at the disposal of the committee during the year of	$5,923 43
Appropriations and expenditures,	5,567 27
Leaving a balance in hand May, 1878, of	$356 16

The receipts this year were larger by several hundred dollars than those of last year, although then a legacy of $200 was received, besides the collections from an unusual number of special delegate meetings, whereas this year no legacies have been received, and only two special delegate meetings have been held.

The Committee having passed a resolution about a year ago that an arrangement should be made with the editor of the *Southern Churchman* for the regular publication in that paper of the reports of the missionaries, in order to diffuse information with regard to this society, such an arrangement was effected, whereby once a month such reports have appeared in its columns, and have been continued regularly to the present time.

It was also resolved that in the annual report to the Council the Secretary should read the names of those that have pledged their churches to the society, and also the sums so pledged. They are as follows:

Rev. John Ambler,	$20 00
" E. Boyden,	30 00
" R. S. Barrett,	30 00
Wm. A. Brockenbrough, lay delegate from North Farnham Parish, Richmond county,	12 00
" G. B. Cooke,	2 50
" R. A. Cobbs,	25 00
Dr. E. A. Coleman, lay delegate from Antrim Parish, Halifax county,	15 00
Charles Cary, lay delegate from Ware Parish, Gloucester,	25 00
J. H. Claiborne, lay delegate from St. James' Church, Richmond city,	200 00
" J. B. Craighill,	12 00
" T. G. Dashiell,	50 00
" R. T. Davis,	75 00
John F. Dickinson, lay delegate from Hanover Parish, King George,	10 00

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Rev. D. C. T. Davis,	20 00
" H. L. Derby,	25 00
" William M. Dame,	150 00
" G. W. Dame,	40 00
" John A. Greaves,	8 00
" J. J. Gravatt,	10 00
" James Grammer,	20 00
" G. A. Gibbons,	20 00
" R. A. Goodwin,	30 00
" C. J. Gibson,	100 00
" William B. Gordon,	20 00
" William Q. Hullihen,	200 00
" C. R. Hains,	25 00
" John S. Hansbrough,	25 00
" E. M. Hubard,	10 00
" J. H. Hundley,	16 00
James C. Hart, lay delegate from Spotsylvania,	10 00
" B. E. Habersham,	25 00
" Arthur S. Johns,	25 00
" H. M. Jackson,	50 00
" William H. Johnson,	40 00
" E. B. Jones,	25 00
" Joseph R. Jones,	55 00
" Ed. V. Jones,	20 00
" Ed. H. Ingle,	30 00
" W. Strother Jones,	15 00
" H. S. Kepler,	10 00
" John W. Lea,	10 00
" John S. Lindsay,	75 00
" William T. Leavell,	10 00
" T. E. Locke,	25 00
" J. J. Lloyd,	20 00
" T. H. Lacy,	10 00
" W. C. Latané,	10 00
" J. P. Lawrence,	10 00
" John McGill,	37 50
" R. H. Mason,	16 00
" Everard Meade,	25 00
" F. A. Meade,	10 00
" J. G. Minnigerode,	50 00
" J. M. Meredith,	20 00
" T. F. Martin,	25 00
" Charles Morris,	50 00
" R. J. McBryde,	125 00
" John K. Mason,	25 00

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Rev. E. B. McGuire,	15 00
" J. B. Newton,	100 00
" W. N. Pendleton,	60 00
" W. H. H. Powers,	100 00
" J. E. Poindexter,	45 00
Ed. Pendleton, lay delegate from Buchanan, Botetourt county,	20 00
" C. C. Randolph,	20 00
" R. D. Roller,	40 00
" H. Suter,	50 00
" C. Y. Steptoe,	45 00
" F. G. Scott,	25 00
" J. J. Sams,	10 00
" J. W. Shields,	12 00
" B. Tucker,	20 00
" S. D. Tompkins,	25 00
" Albert Ware,	5 00
" D. M. Wharton,	10 00
" Charles D. Walker,	30 00
" J. H. Williams,	25 00
" A. W. Weddell,	125 00

Of this number twenty-five have already paid the full amount subscribed, and some more than was promised. As the year does not close until July 1, it may be supposed that the remainder will be paid by that time.

The Committee regret that there was so much misunderstanding about the pledge system, as proposed last year, as to deter some from acquiescing in the plan. All that was meant was that the attempt should be made to raise a certain sum. It was supposed that every one would know what was the minimum sum he could properly pledge, and if he failed to raise so much, then it would be inferred that unforeseen causes, or such as were beyond his control, had prevented, and no imputation or blame would be cast upon him. The sole design of the Committee was to enable them to form some approximate idea of what they might expect to receive for the support of the missionaries, so that they might be guided both as to the number that might be employed and the compensation that might be safely promised them. The word "pledge" was used in the sense of a conditional promise. It was not meant that any personal liability should attach to one making such a promise, and if he fell short, in the judgment of Christian charity, it

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was to be concluded that he found himself unable to do as much as he expected.

The Committee still think it the best and most reliable system they have yet been able to devise, and earnestly recommend it for general adoption.

It is proper to mention that a new edition of the Mission Prayer Book has been prepared and will soon be published. It will contain full morning and evening prayer, and will be somewhat changed in the Hymnal.

The Committee would remind the Council that as the Diocese of Virginia has declined to receive in future the assistance which the Domestic Committee has so kindly given for some years past in aid of her Diocesan Missions, and which last year was $500, there will be a corresponding need on the part of the Diocese to increase the contributions to the Diocesan Society by at least that sum.

In accordance with the resolution of the Committee to send delegates to the convocations, in response to the cordial invitations of those bodies to do so, different members of the Committee have, at various times during the year, attended the regular meetings of those organizations, and presented the cause and claims of the society.

And in this connection it should be mentioned that the Petersburg convocation having brought before this committee the draft of a Canon for organizing the Diocese into convocational districts, the Committee is of the opinion that this is a subject worthy of the serious consideration of the Council.

By order of the Committee. F. M. BAKER, *Secretary.*

Rev. Dr. Hanckel moved that the report of the Diocesan Missionary Society be made the special order for this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Rev. T. G. Dashiell moved in amendment that the order of business be suspended, and that we now proceed to discuss the report of the Diocesan Missionary Society.

Amendment lost, and the motion of Dr. Hanckel carried.

Rev. W. N. Ward presented a petition from Trinity Church, Fredericksburg, for recognition as a separate Parish.

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On motion, it was referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

Rev. Dr. Gibson presented the following report from the Board of Managers of the fund for relief of widows and orphans of deceased clergy:

The Board of Managers of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the Diocese of Virginia respectfully present their report for the year ending May 15th, 1878. The treasurer's statement shows that we have now on hand for distribution only the sum of $1,259.70. The total assets, including distributable income, being $25,060.36.

The number of churches that have contributed the past year to the fund has been only *ten*, and the amount contributed $272.73. The Board having determined to meet in Richmond on the 25th of this month, thought best to postpone the appropriation of their annual income until that meeting.

The action of the last Council in electing new members into the Board, without rescinding the rule already adopted to elect them every three years, was regarded by the Board as an inadvertence, to which it was only necessary to call the attention of the Council to obtain a speedy remedy. The present being the year in which, according to the standing rule, the clerical members of the Board are to be re-elected, the Board would respectfully call the attention of the Council to an important question which it is necessary to settle before that election shall take place. It was therefore

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to call the attention of the Council to the rule of the Board requiring *the clerical members of the Board to be resident, and officiating at least five years within the Diocese*, and to ask their judgment and action thereon.

The Council will observe that the election of these members of the Board involves the question whether the Diocese of West Virginia shall be allowed a representation in the Board and a share in the benefits of the fund. The judgment of the Council upon the present Constitution of the members of the Board and their action thereon is respectfully requested.

CHURCHILL J. GIBSON, *Secretary*.

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By request of the Committee on Federal Relations, Rev. Dr. Hanckel presented the following:

ON DIOCESAN AUTONOMY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS.

Our Ordinal avers: "It is evident unto all men diligently reading Holy Scripture and ancient authors, that from the Apostle's time there have been three orders of ministers in Christ's Church, bishops, priests and deacons." These three orders of ministers, with "the brethren" or laity, constitute a complete ecclesiastical unit (Integer or Diocese). Of any other constituent element of such a unit no mention is made either in the Acts of the Apostles or in their Epistles, or (as especially relating to the subject) in the pastoral epistles of St. Paul.

In the first Council at Jerusalem these elements and these only occur: "The Apostles and Elders with the whole Church," and again the "Apostles and Elders and Brethren." Acts xv, 22, 23.

In the two Epistles to Timothy, and in that to Titus, each of them is assigned to the chief pastorate of a particular Diocese. Timothy "at Ephesus;" Titus "in Crete." 1 Timothy i, 3; Titus i, 5.

In the addresses to the seven churches of Asia (in the Apocalypse), "the angel" or bishops of each (and jointly with him the whole company of believers committed to his charge) is either rebuked or commended as an independent ecclesiastical unit, each bishop (with his charge) being held responsible for the conservation in their purity of Christian faith and practice.

But this deposit of faith and practice, which was committed to each bishop and his Diocese *in severalty*, was also the *joint* charge of the whole College of Bishops and *their* Dioceses—the Church thus constituted being the divinely ordained "pillar and ground of the truth." Uniformity of teaching and usage was of course of prime importance to avert confusion and promote edification. Hence although himself the recipient of a special revelation, we find St. Paul repairing "to Jerusalem to communicate that gospel which he preached among the Gentiles, but privately to them of reputation." Galatians i, 12; Galatians ii, 2.

And when the question of the obligation to keep the Ceremonial law arose and began to trouble the churches among the Gentiles, "we find it made the subject of a special consultation in the first Council at Jerusalem."

Still as each and all were under solemn obligation to "contend for

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the faith once delivered to the Saints"—supposing Christian faith denied or Christian practice infringed—to preserve that faith and practice inviolate was the imperative duty of each to whom it was committed. So that if needful (as was done by St. Paul) a Peter was to be "withstood to the face" (Galatians ii, 11), and "an angel from heaven who preached any other gospel was to be held accursed." Galatians i, 8.

The truth of God denied or compromised, another principle and rule of conduct came into play and under the original commission of the Master ("Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel"), that "whole world" became the jurisdiction of that bishop and his charge, who still held the faith.

To these clearly established principles of Apostolic Church organization and administration (contemplating as they did both Diocesan autonomy and Federal relations), as continuing to be the recognized principles of the post apostolic age (Bingham's Antiquities, book ii, chapters v and vi; book xiii, chapter v), Bingham, and a host of other authorities, bear ample testimony. The last principle, for instance, was signally illustrated, and its necessity shown in the case of Athanasius at the period of the Arian apostasy.

Of synodical union of Dioceses (as of apostolic and therefore permanent institution) no evidence can be traced in Scripture and in the age immediately succeeding the apostolic synodical union of Dioceses, in the modern sense, was unknown. Synods (and they were few), whether provincial or (so called) general, were not then as now stated and periodical, but occasional only, the products of exigencies in the Church for the settlement of the faith when disputed or denied, or for its clearer definition.

All distribution or grouping of Dioceses (which gradually arose), whether metropolitan, provincial, patriarchal or national, were of purely human origination and contrivance, the result of mutual agreement for convenience of administration, or else imposed by civil authority. Even under the overshadowing influence of the Roman See, and despite the encroachments and usurpations of successive pontiffs, aided and abetted by various causes and agencies (which need not be mentioned here), the original idea of Diocesan independence, for all purposes of intra Diocesan administration (*e. g.* of liturgy and worship), continued to be cherished and contended for throughout by far the greater part of Christendom (and especially in the west, in the Gallican and Anglican churches), during what has since been designated and

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known as the mediæval period. The violent contests between emperors and kings on the one hand, and successive popes on the other, over the right of investiture, fully attests this; while in the case of England the various statutes of Præmunire, from Edward I to Edward VI (Henry VIII inclusive), show how determined was the resistance made to Papal intrusion into Diocesan organization and administration. (See Leslie's case of the Regale and Pontificate, stated, and Barrow on the Supremacy of the Pope.) Diocesan Episcopacy, though ground to powder in many parts and times, between the upper and the nether millstones of the Regale and the Pontificate, did, nevertheless, in many other places and periods continue to struggle and assert its right, offering as it did the one divinely ordained bulwark against popish aggression.

With this cursory glance at "former times," to which the attention of your committee was in part directed, we reach the period of the Anglican reformation.

In the Church of England (from which the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States is sprung) and at the period of the reformation we find the idea of Diocesan autonomy in full vigor. The statutes of Præmunire (with severe penalties annexed) which continued to be enforced and re-enacted show this. Nor these alone. It is even more conclusively shown by the prevalence of various uses (as they were called) or modes of worship, bearing the names of the several Dioceses by which they were adopted. Thus in the preface to the books of Edward VI it is said, "Where heretofore there hath been great diversity in saying and singing in churches within this realm, some following Salisbury use, some Hereford use, and some the use of Bangor, some of York, some of Lincoln. Now all the whole realm shall have but one use." Even under this first act of uniformity original Diocesan autonomy is recognized. When "for the resolution of all doubts as to how to understand, do and execute the things contained in this book, the parties are charged to resort to the Bishop of the Diocese, who, by his discretion, shall take order for the quieting of the same."

Thus was inaugurated under Edward VI (the first Protestant King), for weal or woe, a new era in Diocesan administration, at least in the matter of liturgical order and use.

Under the jurisdiction of one of the Anglican bishops (of London) the several branches of the Church of England, planted in the several American colonies, were placed the liturgy and laws of that Church,

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becoming the liturgy and laws of the same Church in these United States.

When at the period of revolution, ending in our national independence, the jurisdiction of the Bishop of London was brought to an abrupt close, it is simply marvelous how universal and absolutely undisputed were the ideas of State lines as the proper limits of ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and of the absolute independence of each Diocese as defined by such civil boundaries. (See Perry's Historical Notes and Documents, volume III, passim.) Almost countless expressions of individual opinion to this effect might be cited, but we prefer to cite acts only, as actions speak louder even than words. Conspicuous among such acts stands the wholly independent procedure of Connecticut in electing her own bishops, and without consulting her sister Dioceses, securing his consecration by Scottish (nonjuring) bishops; and yet further, her long continued, persistent and perfectly unyielding assertion of her own absolute Diocesan independence and autonomy.

Similar, although less extreme acts and assertions of independence might be adduced in the cases of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, South Carolina, a part of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and subsequently New Hampshire, severally or jointly in associate Council. (See Perry, volume III.)

The great importance of securing uniformity of faith and worship for our entire communion in the United States alone induced any of these Dioceses to waive even in part the practical assertion of their independence, and to enter into any Articles of Confederation.

In the very act, however, of so confederating, and in the Articles of Confederation themselves, the pre-existing, separate and independent organization of the several Dioceses was fully and expressly recognized, and the continuance of such independence was provided for, except (and except only) so far as such independence was limited by the transfer of delegated powers to a General Convention of the confederating Dioceses. *That General Convention was and still is the freely constituted creature of the several independent Dioceses, and not the Dioceses of the General Convention.* In well nigh (if not quite) all the associating Dioceses previous conventional action was had, instructing their deputies to enter into such a general organization as was projected on certain specified conditions, and (with what might to some seem superabundant caution) expressly reserving the right to revise (for final and

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decisive approval or disapproval) the acts of their deputies, and of the associating Dioceses in General Convention assembled.

We might adduce in evidence of this the action of New York, Maryland, Connecticut and Virginia. But for our purposes that of Virginia will suffice.

At the Convention, consisting of thirty-six (36) clergymen, and upwards of seventy (70) laymen, held in Richmond May, 1785, it was

Resolved, That the instructions to the deputies, appointed to represent the Protestant Episcopal Church of Virginia in the General Convention, be so framed as to leave the Convention of this State at liberty to approve or disapprove the proceedings of the General Convention.

With her original, inherent and inalienable independence and right of self-government—resting as that right does upon scriptural authority and precedent—sustained as that right is by primitive and Anglican and American conception and usage—the Diocese of Virginia would not part. She could not have done so without proving derelict to her duty as a scripturally constituted unit of the Church universal. This action of her Convention, in 1785, conclusively attests that in entering into confederation with her sister Dioceses, Virginia did not and had no intention to relinquish such inherent right of self-government, but expressly reserved the same.

But while all this is true, it was still competent for Virginia to decide within what limits she could continue the practical exercise of her scripturally vested autonomy, and how far she should waive such inherent right to secure common legislation for our entire household of faith. This decision Virginia entrusted, in the first instance, to her deputies to the General Convention of 1785, subject, however, to revisal, for approval or disapproval by her own Diocesan Council.

We come therefore to the several questions of surrendered rights propounded by the last Council.

1. First, as to the right of withdrawal without consent of her sister Dioceses. Having voluntarily, as a scripturally constituted Diocese, entered into a limited confederation—of delegated powers, and of delegated powers only—it would be clearly competent for Virginia to withdraw upon sufficient cause, given and shown, and in the exercise of her godly discretion. Nay, it might even become her sad and solemn duty to withdraw, *e. g.*, upon a departure from some essential of the faith, or the imposition of a sinful term of communion. One or either

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of these would constitute a justifying cause of withdrawal, and Virginia would stand clear of the imputation of schism. Other justifying cause or causes may be conceived, but need not be enumerated, since variations in non-essentials of government and usage, even in the judgment of such churchmen as Seabury and Parker (not to cite a long list of other and greater names) are not inconsistent with essential union.

Still, your committee cannot but hold that no such cause has yet been given, nor as we confidently hope and trust, will be given. Such isolation in Christendom as withdrawal from the now existing union of Dioceses would involve (a union effected with so much difficulty, and with such happy results), is no inconsiderable evil, and can only be entertained for a moment in contrast with yet greater evils. It would be fraught with countless and incalculable inconveniences of administration, with such deplorable curtailment of privilege, with such narrowing of Christian sympathy, and of corporate life, with such forfeiture of influence for Christ and his cause, and with such exposure to the very evils, in as great or greater measure, from which relief was thereby sought, withdrawal is to be greatly deprecated for our own sake, and for the sake of our children, and our children's children. The inherent right is indisputable, while its practical exercise might, and in our position would, be little short of suicidal. In this however your committee simply give their own judgment, subject to modification or change as occasion may possibly, but not probably arise.

2. On the 2nd question of surrendered right, your Committee hold that each Diocese, on entering into the confederation, (and therefore Virginia,) did surrender the right of having the bishop whom they might elect consecrated without the assent of a majority of the House of Bishops, and of the Standing Committees, during the recess of the General Convention. The wording of the Canon admits of no other possible construction, and with reason—

Firstly, Bishops should have the right of judging of the fitness of members of their own House; Secondly, Because every bishop, as a member of the House of Bishops, becomes "*ex officio*" a life long legislator for the Church at large—and, if that Church at large have no voice in his elevation to the Episcopate, we have "*quoad hoc*" legislation without representation; Thirdly, If Virginia be thereby held in check, she in turn holds in check her sister Dioceses; Fourthly, Your committee deem the safeguards not one whit too stringent against the elevation to the Episcopate of the whole Church, (and therefore of

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Virginia in part) of improper persons, whether on moral or doctrinal grounds.

3. To the third question of surrendered rights (if they rightly apprehend it) your Committee must give a qualified response.

Upon strictly intra Diocesan legislation, no restrictions are set by the Constitution and Canons of the General Church. The Constitution and Canons do however define, what are, and what are not, strictly intra Diocesan matters of legislation, and provide for such legislation only by the General Convention as affects the Church at large. In such legislation Virginia has her proportionate voice through her deputies to the General Convention.

4. In regard to the liturgy and other standards, as embodied in the Book of Common Prayer, we have only to note that according to Art. 8th, they are adopted by each and every Diocese in adopting the Constitution itself. But in complying with this article Virginia has a right to expect compliance therewith by her sister Dioceses, else uniformity in worship (the great aim and motive of union) is not secured, and the compact is broken and void.

5. Neither this, nor any other, part of the great compact, or charter of union, can be altered by Virginia, or any other Diocese acting apart, but only in concert with her sister Dioceses, as prescribed by Art. 9 of the Constitution. Virginia else would undertake to legislate for her sister Dioceses without their concurrence.

In conclusion, so far, and so far only, as the Diocese of Virginia has delegated any powers to the central ecclesiastical legislature (the General Convention) has she parted, for a definite purpose, and, if need be, only for a time, with her original inherent right of self-government.

Beyond these expressly defined limits "she is committed to be governed by no acts or opinions of other ecclesiastical bodies, whether Anglican or American, of modern or of former times," but remains in full possession of her rights as a duly constituted unit in the Church universal, whose powers are defined in Articles XX and XXXIV of the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion.

J. S. HANCKEL, *for the Committee.*

In behalf of the same committee, Mr. R. T. Craighill read the following:

In conclusion, your committee submit the following summary of their

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views on the subject of "the Federal Relations" of this Diocese to the General Church in the United States.

1. The Protestant Episcopal Church, deriving its doctrine, discipline and worship from the mother Church of England, existed in the Colonies and States, prior to the adoption of the Constitution of 1789; and, although Diocesan in form, it was the same Catholic and Apostolic Church in each and all of said Colonies and States, with the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England as its bond of union, and with the Bishop of London as its Episcopal head; and it so continued, until "the States became independent with respect to civil government," and the external tie that united it to the Church of England was severed.

2. And, thereupon, as each State was recognized as sovereign and independent of the others, although all were pervaded by the same common principles of liberty and free government, as expressed in their Bills of Rights, and, as the States so continued until the Federal Union was formed, so the Dioceses, as integral parts of the same Catholic and Apostolic Church, although bound together in the unity of the same faith, continued to exist in their primitive and independent forms and modes of government, until the General Constitution was adopted in 1789.

3. That apprehensions, similar to those which induced the people of the several States to desire and ultimately to bring about "a more perfect union," in order to secure "the common defence and general welfare," caused the members of the Church in the separate Dioceses "to take into consideration the importance of maintaining uniformity in the doctrine, discipline and worship of the said Church," that is, of the same Catholic and Apostolic Church, which followed or was derived by them from the mother country; this purpose having been clearly announced in the preamble to the Constitution, which was proposed by delegates from Virginia and other Dioceses, assembled in Convention at Philadelphia in June 1786.

4. That the object, thus announced, and so earnestly desired by the fathers of the American Church, was finally accomplished by the adoption of the Constitution of 1789; by which the same Catholic and Apostolic Church, in this country, was recognized to be, and designated as "*The* Protestant Episcopal Church *in* the United States of America;" and, thereupon, it became, in form, a National Church; and, so long as the said Constitution remains in force, the doctrine, discipline

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and worship, ordained and established *in pursuance thereof*, must be uniform in all the Dioceses; must be beyond the control of the Dioceses and subject to alteration *only* in the mode prescribed by the Constitution itself.

5. That notwithstanding this compact by the Church, in its parts, made to secure uniformity in doctrine, discipline and worship to the Church, in its entirety, the Dioceses are *not* lost or merged into one consolidated organization, but are recognized in the compact itself as the true sources of its own powers, and as entitled to all the rights, powers and privileges pertaining to primitive Dioceses, except so far as the same may be inconsistent with the aforesaid purpose of ecclesiastical union, or are denied to them, either expressly or by necessary implication, by the Constitution itself.

6. That the body, thus organized under said Constitution, having, by the concurrent action and consent of the Dioceses, become the true, legal and Constitutional "Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America," adherence to the doctrine, discipline and worship of which, constitutes the sole test of the membership and ministry thereof, it follows, that no Diocese can, *without first withdrawing from this ecclesiastical union*, rightfully exercise any of the powers pertaining to this Church, which are conferred upon the General Convention by express grant, or by plain implication, or which are denied to the Dioceses or to the bishops and Councils thereof, by the Constitution itself.

7. That in view of the sacred obligations upon the Dioceses, arising out of their concurrent action, in forming it, and implied in the compact itself, and of the peril to the Church and the cause of religion involved, nothing *could* justify *withdrawal* from said ecclesiastical union, or, the taking of any steps to that end, *but*, the *ultima ratio*, which underlies all supreme necessities in Church and State; and which, as an inalienable, reserved right, should be appealed to ONLY for the preservation of vital principles, put in grave and imminent peril, by the power, to which allegiance is due under the compact of government.

June 5, 1877. HUGH W. SHEFFEY.

Rev. Dr. Minnigerode moved that the report of the Committee be spread in full upon the journal of the Council. Carried.

The Council took recess for divine service.

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THURSDAY, 1 P. M.

The Council reassembled.

Rev. W. M. Dame presented the following:

The Committee, to whom was referred the bishop's account with the Evangelist Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and find it correct, and properly vouched for.

W. M. DAME,
GEO. B. HARRISON,
C. F. LEE, Jr.

May 16, 1878.

Rev. J. B. Newton presented the following:

Your Committee, appointed at the last Council to consider the matter of the Contingent Fund, respectfully ask that they may be continued for another year, to enable them to obtain further information from the experience of other Dioceses as to the mode of raising the Contingent Fund, and they recommend that, in the meantime, the assessment be reduced to seventy-five cents per capita in lieu of one dollar as heretofore.

J. B. NEWTON, *Chairman.*

Rev. Dr. Hanckel called for a division of the question.

The Committee was continued.

The recommendation to reduce the assessment was withdrawn.

Mr. L. M. Blackford moved to amend the seventh rule of order so as to read as follows:

A motion to adjourn or to lay on the table shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

Carried.

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Rev. James W. Shields presented a petition for recognizing a new Parish in Stafford county, and moved its reference to the Committee on New Parishes.

Carried.

Rev. Geo. S. Gibbs presented a petition from St. John's Church, Pulaski county, and moved its reference to the Committee on New Parishes.

Carried.

Rev. R. J. McBryde moved that the next session of the Council be held in St. George's Church, Fredericksburg.

Carried unanimously.

Rev. Thomas Spencer presented the report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary and High School:

The Trustees of the Theological Seminary and High School beg leave to report that the Institutions under their care have enjoyed another year of prosperity. The whole number of students in the seminary is forty-three, viz:

Senior Class,	12
Middle Class,	4
Junior Class,	13
	29
Preparatory Department,	14
Total,	43

Considering the fact that there are fourteen divinity and training schools in our Church this number of students is encouraging. The character of the students and their diligence is likewise encouraging. A particular account of the several classes will be found in the annexed reports of the professors.

The High School continues to maintain its rank among the boys schools of the country, and it is pleasing to see that this estimate of its value is conceded by competent judges in all parts of the country.

Respectfully submitted by the trustees.

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The professor of Biblical Learning respectfully reports to the trustees, that the classes under his instruction have pursued the usual course of study with commendable diligence and success.

The Senior class have continued the study of Hebrew, reading about twenty chapters in the latter part of Isaiah; and in the Greek of the New Testament, they have studied critically the two Epistles to the Corinthians and the Epistle to the Galatians.

The Middle class have studied the prophecies of Christ, and in addition several of the Psalms in Hebrew, and in Greek the Epistles to the Romans, Hebrews and Galatians.

The Junior class have reviewed the Hebrew Grammar repeatedly, with written exercises, and read about twenty-four chapters in Hebrew. In the Greek they have finished the exegetical study of the Gospel of St. John. They have read two or three times a week essays on the most important and difficult subjects in the Gospels.

J. PACKARD.

Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary of Virginia:

I would respectfully report that the classes during the current session have pursued their usual course of studies.

The Senior class has studied Burnet and are now reviewing. It has also had the usual course in Liturgics, with instruction and exercises in Homiletics. The Middle class has studied Knapp's Theology, with a weekly recitation in the English New Testament; and the Primary have studied the two works, "Chadbourne's Natural Theology" and "Hopkins' Outline Man," mentioned in the report of last year. I would suggest that these be adopted for regular use.

C. WALKER.

To the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of Virginia:

During the past year I have given instruction to the Senior Class in CHURCH POLITY:—1st, in the use of the Text-book, HOOKER'S *Laws of Ecclsiastical Polity*—the *third*, the *fifth*, and the *seventh* book; and 2d, in the form of lectures, embracing a full course on THE CHURCH, its nature, attributes, notes; and on the MINISTRY, its origin, constitution, powers, and perpetuation.

The course of study in APOLOGETICS has been continued and closed by the Middle Class in the use of LUTHARDT'S *Fundamental Truths of Christianity* as a Text-book.

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In the same department I have read two courses of lectures to the Junior Class—*first*, as introductory to the Text-book, and *second*, as supplementary to it—the latter being devoted to the consideration of modern objections to the Christian revelation.

The several classes have given satisfactory evidence of diligence in study, and the regularity of their attendance in the class room merits special commendation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. McELHINNEY,
Professor of Apologetics and Church Polity.

To the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of Virginia:

The Professor of Church History and Canon Law respectfully reports as follows:

The Senior Class has studied, with four recitations a week, the History of the Church of England, and also the History of the American Church; the Pastoral Epistles in Greek; and Meade on the Pastoral Office. They are now engaged with the Constitution and Canons of the Church.

The Middle Class, with three recitations a week, and regular essays, has studied Kurtz's Church History.

The Juniors, with three and often five recitations a week, and reading three essays a week, have studied Dr. Smith's Old and New Testament Histories, and read the Acts of the Apostles in Greek.

The Senior Preparatory Class has recited to me four times a week in Greek Grammar and translation.

KINLOCH NELSON.

MAY 13, 1878.

Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., LL. D.,
President of the Board of Trustees:

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:—As Principal of the Episcopal High School, I have the honor to submit the following report:

The aggregate number of boys, including eight day scholars, received during the current session is eighty-three; the maximum attendance eighty. The latter is the largest since the war. * * * The health of the school has been particularly good, not a single case of serious sickness having occurred, and little of any kind. * * * Since my

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last report two important additions to the equipment of the school have been completed. I have erected and furnished suitably a *Gymnasium*, which is believed to be the best in the State. * * * Besides the Gymnasium, a *Skating Pond*, by joint subscription of boys and masters, has been constructed on the school premises, at a cost of several hundred dollars.

The ordinary religious exercises of the school have varied but little from last year. Greater attention has been paid to music, and increased interest excited in it as a consequence of the systematic training of the school choir by an accomplished musician engaged for the purpose. Our daily morning devotions, always begun with a hymn, are marked by the use of the Psalter thrice and a brief Litany (prepared for schools by Bishop Whittingham) twice in the week, with suitable variation on holy days. The endeavor to emphasize and improve all the Christian seasons has been constant. During Lent a special Litany service in the School Chapel at noon on Fridays was well attended, and the daily instructions during Passion week (in the shape this year of extracts from Farrar's Life of Christ) seemed never better heeded. * * * The Rev. W. M. Dame, of Alexandria, and the Rev. Prof. K. Nelson, of the Theological Seminary, have continued their invaluable assistance, each giving at the school one regular Sunday service a month. Besides this, Mr. Nelson held one each Tuesday evening in Lent. * * * Mr. Frank Page, of the Senior class in the Seminary, has continued to conduct with great acceptance the Friday night devotional meeting. To him, as to the clergymen named, my warmest thanks are due. * * * The number of communicants among the boys is twenty-seven.

Respectfully,

L. M. BLACKFORD.

Rev. K. Nelson from the committee on account of the Disabled Clergy Fund, reported the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

Rev. E. V. Jones from the committe on the Bruce Fund reported the accounts of that Fund to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

Rev. T. F. Martin, from the commitee on the accounts of the

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Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, reported the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

Rev. Dr. Gibson offered the following:

Resolved, That the Council of this Diocese warmly appreciating the efforts of the Rev. Dr. Slaughter, to embody in permanent form the histories of some of the oldest of our parishes, desire to express their sense of the value of his labors, and their earnest desire that he should as far as possible complete his undertaking. To this end therefore,

Resolved, That the Council do hereby appoint the Rev. Dr. Slaughter Historiographer of the Diocese, with a salary of $——.

Resolved, That the Librarian of the Seminary be requested to place in Dr. Slaughter's hands all the old Parish Registers deposited there by Bishop Meade for safe-keeping, and all other documents which belong to the archives of the Diocese.

Rev. Dr. Minnigerode moved their reference to a special committee of three. Carried, and the following committee appointed, Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, Col. J. M. Patton, and Mr. J. M. Whittle.

Rev. Dr. Minnigerode from the Committee on New Parishes, reported the following which was adopted:

The Committee on New Parishes, to which was referred the petition of Trinity Church, Fredericksburg, for admission into the Diocese, have examined the papers, and find that they meet all the requirements of Canons 11 and 12. They therefore move, that Trinity Church, Fredericksburg, be hereby admitted into the Diocese.

CHAS. MINNIGERODE, *Chairman.*

Judge W. S. Barton, lay delegate from Trinity Church, Fredericksburg, was reported duly elected and appeared and took his seat.

Rev. W. Q. Hullihen from the committee on Funds for the relief of Widows and Orphans, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the accounts of the treasurer of the Fund of the Society for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased clergymen of this Diocese, beg leave to report that they find

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accounts correct, except in the absence of date of voucher No. 7, and they recommend that this be supplied before it be permanently filed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Q. HULLIHEN, *Chairman.*

Rev. H. M. Jackson offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to revise the form of Parochial report, and report to the next Council.

Carried: and Revs. H. M. Jackson, T. G. Dashiell and Mr. D. N. Walker appointed as such Committee.

Mr. Taylor Berry gave notice of a proposed amendment to section 6 of Canon IX, to be offered by him to-morrow.

Mr. William V. Jordan presented the following:

Resolved, That this Council, in view of the alarming increase of intemperate drinking within as well as without the Church, reaffirms the fourth resolution reported from the Committee on the Subject of Temperance, and adopted by the Council of this Church at the session in 1876, which is in these words: "That the laity be earnestly exhorted to consider the evil tendencies to themselves of social drinking, especially in public places, and the consequences resulting to others from the influence of their example."

Resolved, That the clergy of this Church are urged to be more earnest in their efforts in putting a stop to this evil habit in the Church, and the laity are earnestly and affectionately exhorted to use their influence to sustain their pastors in legitimate means used by them to purify the Church from the shameful practice.

The resolution was adopted.

Rev. G. W. Dame offered the following:

Resolved, That in compliance with the bishop's request, a committee of three be appointed to confer with the delegation of West Virginia in reference to the property questions that may come between the Dioceses.

The resolution was adopted, and the following committee was appointed: Rev. G. W. Dame, Mr. Charles M. Blackford and Mr. D. N. Walker.

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Diocese of West Virginia.

Rev. Dr. Gibson offered the following, and moved its reference to the above Committee on Conference:

Whereas, the prosperity of the clergy and laity of the Diocese of West Virginia must ever be a cherished object of desire to their brethren, the clergy and laity of this Diocese, this Council feel it their duty to extend as liberal a measure of nursing care and protection as is consistent with a due regard to her own necessary interests; therefore,

Resolved, That the clergy and laity of the Diocese of West Virginia be entitled to the benefit of all the charitable Missionary Funds now sustained by this Diocese, and that the trustees of the Theological Seminary and High School of Virginia be requested to provide for a representation of the said Diocese in their Board.

The motion was so referred.

Rev. E. V. Jones presented the following, and moved its reference to a committee to report to this Council:

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Virginia:

At the Fall Session of the Petersburg Convocation, held at Nottoway Courthouse, in November, 1877, a Committee was appointed to consider the feasibility of applying to the Diocesan Council for such canonical recognition of the convocations as would render them more efficient in their work, and more thoroughly identify them with the work of our Diocesan Missionary Society. At the spring session, held at Hampton, in April, 1878, the accompanying report was presented by that committee and the following resolutions adopted concerning it:

Resolved, That this convocation approve this report, and commend some such measure as it advises to the serious consideration of the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Virginia.

Resolved, That a copy of this report be sent to the bishop and to the president of each convocation, and published in the *Southern Churchman*.

THOMAS SPENCER, *Secretary*.

CHURCHILL J. GIBSON, *President*.

REPORT.

The committee appointed by the Petersburg Convocation at its last meeting, to whom the expediency of dividing the Diocese of Virginia into convocation districts by the Council, was referred, begs leave to submit the following report:

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Convocations.

Although the Diocese is now well embraced by voluntary convocations, your committee believe that a more formal division into canonical organizations so constituted as to include its whole territory with all its ministers would contribute far more to the extension of the Church and its rapid and symmetrical growth. We therefore earnestly recommend the apportionment of the Diocese into definite *Convocational Districts*, having such metes and bounds as are hereinafter suggested or as the Council may prescribe. We further recommend that each convocation thus organized by Canon, be represented by a clerical and lay delegate in all the meetings of the Diocesan Missionary Committee. While including all the possible advantages of our present voluntary system, convocations thus sanctioned by the Council itself, and invested with such authority as it might see fit to confer, would be rendered not only more efficient in their local operations, but become valuable auxiliaries of the Diocesan Committee and sources of information to our Diocesan himself.

1. While persuaded that the onerous and responsible duties of the Diocesan Committee are discharged with a faithfulness and impartiality which commend them to the full confidence and support of the Church, it is believed that the proposed change will go far to relieve them of some difficulties and embarrassments which seem inherent and unavoidable in the present system itself. The committee as now constituted must generally rely upon such representations as the individual applicant may make. However honest, he may be unduly influenced by personal interest or prejudice, or unconsciously unjust to the relative claims of more needy places. Whereas, the delegates from the several convocations would be expected to take a comprehensive view of the whole field, and acquaint themselves as well with the absolute and relative needs of each part, and thus be far more likely to furnish the committee with reliable data upon which they could act understandingly.

2. The bishop who would be canonically connected with these convocations would find them to be channels of information far more trustworthy than any now open to him.

3. The Church at large, from its love of order and law, would always have a higher regard for their recommendations than for those of mere voluntary associations; their sessions and services would be more fully attended, and their appeals for aid meet with greater success.

4. Our present voluntary convocations must leave out from their supervision large uncultivated fields, the ecclesiastical care of which is

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undefined and unknown; whereas, the Canonical Convocation would have its accurate geographical "metes and bounds" for every soul in whose limits it would feel a degree of responsibility.

In conclusion, your Committee would state that the views now presented are not undigested theories or untried expedients, but their practical value has been fully demonstrated by their working in the neighboring Diocese of Maryland, and all others in which they have been tested. From these and other less important considerations that might be mentioned, your Committee would recommend to the Petersburg Convocation the expediency of applying to our next Council, to be held in Lynchburg, the adoption of the following

CANON.

The Diocese of Virginia shall be divided into ——— Missionary Convocations as follows:

1st. The city of Richmond and the counties of ———, known as the Richmond Convocation.

2d. The city of Norfok and the counties of ———, known as the Norfolk Convocation.

3d. The city of Petersburg and the counties of ———, known as the Petersburg Convocation.

4th. The city of Lynchburg and the counties of ———, known as the Lynchburg Convocation.

5th. The city of Alexandria and the counties of ———, known as the Alexandria Convocation.

Then Danville, Winchester, Charlottesville, &c., &c., &c.

The above convocations shall be organized under the direction of the bishop, who shall preside over them in all meetings when present. Each convocation shall have a president, to be appointed annually by the bishop on the nomination of convocation. The president of each convocation shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the bishop or convocation, and shall report to the Council through the bishop at each annual session the missionary work done in the limits of his convocation, and any other matter deemed pertinent by himself. Each convocation shall meet twice a year, and shall consist of the clergy residing in its limits, who have seats in the Council, and a lay communicant from each Parish or Mission, to be appointed according to such rule as the Council

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may prescribe. Presidents of the convocations shall be *ex officio* members of the Diocesan Committee.

CLAUDIUS R. HAINS,
ANDERSON WADE,
EDW. VALENTINE JONES,
Committee.

The motion to refer was carried, and the following committee appointed: Rev. E. V. Jones, Rev. Dr. Pendleton, Col. Wm. Nelson and Gen. J. R. Anderson.

The Council adjourned until 5 P. M.

THURSDAY, 6 P. M.

Council met at 6 P. M., and was called to order by the Bishop.

Mr. C. M. Blackford asked to be excused from the Committee on Property Adjustment between the Dioceses of Virginia and West Virginia. His request was granted, and Col. John M. Patton appointed in his place.

Leave was granted to Rev. Dr. Minnigerode to present, from the board of trustees of the Virginia Female Institute, the nominations of Mr. C. M. Blackford and Mr. H. E. C. Baskervill, from which to elect a trustee to fill vacancy caused by the death of Mr. W. G. Cazenove. Mr. Blackford withdrew his name, and Mr. H. E. C. Baskervill was elected.

The Council then proceeded to the order of the day.

Rev. W. Q. Hullihen offered the following:

Resolved, That the report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society be referred to a special committee, who shall consider and report upon such measures as shall be best in their judgment for the promotion of our Diocesan missionary interests.

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The motion was carried and the following committee appointed: Revs. W. Q. Hullihen, J. E. Poindexter and J. B. Newton, Mr. C. E. Cosby and Dr. T. S. Beckwith.

Pending the discussion, Rev. W. M. Dame moved that the Council hold a special session to-morrow at 4 P. M., and that the business of the Diocesan Missionary Society be appointed as the order of the day for that session.

Carried.

The Council adjourned until to-morrow at 9 A. M.

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 9 A. M.

The Council met, and after prayer by Rev. W. Q. Hullihen, was called to order by the Bishop.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. Dr. Barten offered the following:

WHEREAS, In order to secure the interests of the Church in our Diocese there is frequent need of legal advice and consultation, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Council hereby establish the office of Legal Adviser or Chancellor of the Diocese, said office to be filled by appointment of the Bishop, the appointee to render his services without remuneration.

The resolution was adopted, and the bishop announced the appointment of Professor Samuel D. Davies, of Richmond College, to the office therein created.

Mr. Taylor Berry called up the following proposed amendment to Canon IX, of which notice was given yesterday.

Resolved, That a committee of two clergymen and two laymen be appointed to report upon the propriety of so amending section 3 of Canon IX as to provide that in parishes having twelve vestrymen, five vestrymen may be competent to transact business, their action to be subject to revision by a majority of the whole vestry on the

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application of any three vestrymen made to the register within thirty days from the action sought to be revised.

It was referred to the committee appointed yesterday to consider the Canon upon convocations.

Rev. J. B. Craighill presented the following report from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund:

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund beg leave to report that they have examined the account of Col. Arthur Herbert, which is herewith filed as a part of this report. They find the amount of cash now in the hands of the treasurer to be $164.21, and the nominal value of the assets to be $9,385.24.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. B. CRAIGHILL,
H. C. DESHIELDS.

The secretary presented the following communication from the Diocese of West Virginia, which was ordered to be printed in the Journal:

The report of the committee appointed to express "the feelings of the Council of the Diocese of West Virginia, on the separation now formally completed between the Diocese of West Virginia, and the bishop and Diocese of Virginia":

WHEREAS, The Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of West Virginia has become in the good providence of God, and by the concurrent action of the bishops and Council of Virginia, ratified by the General Convention, a separate and independent Diocese, the clergy and lay delegates, assembled in Primary Convention, desire to express and spread upon their Journal the grateful acknowledgments which under God they owe to the fostering care of the mother Diocese, and to the faithful and self-sacrificing labors of its late lamented chief pastors, Meade and Johns, as well as of him who is now its bishop, for their ability to stand alone, and to carry on their work as an independent member in the family of Dioceses. And, now, in taking leave of our right reverend father in God, and of our beloved brethren of the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Virginia, with whom we have been so long associated in common work for Christ and His Church, we would indulge the hope that we may all still be bound together in unity of spirit, and be ever valiant for the faith once for all delivered to the saints. We would also express our earnest wish that the pain of separation may be alleviated, in some way, by which, as far as is consistent with our

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independent organization, we may still be united in common counsel, and action, for the good of the Church in our respective Dioceses, in all matters of common interest.

Resolved, That a copy of the above minute be transmitted to the Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., LL. D., soliciting his blessing; and to the secretary of the Council of the Diocese of Virginia, to be laid before the Council at its next session, asking the prayers of the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Virginia, for ourselves and our brethren of this Diocese.

Signed,

R. A. COBBS,
WM. THOS. LEAVELL,
R. J. MCCLANDLISH,
J. L. W. BAKER,
W. L. HYLAND.

True copy, as duly received and adopted by the Primary Convention of the Diocese of West Virginia.

T. H. LACY, *Secretary.*

Rev. E. Withers moved that a committee of three clergymen be appointed to respond to the communication from the Diocese of West Virginia.

Motion carried, and the following committee appointed:—Revs. E. Withers, C. J. Gibson, D. D., and G. W. Dame.

Rev. T. G. Dashiell moved the appointment of a committee to revise the Constitution and Canons, and to report to the next Council.

Motion carried, and the following committee appointed:—Revs. T. G. Dashiell and Dr. Minnigerode, Messrs. Taylor, Berry, and Thomas Moore.

Mr. Geo. D. Fisher offered the following:

Resolved, That future Parochial reports shall designate the number of communicants who are unable to contribute to the Contingent Fund, and the same shall be deducted from the total number of each Parish, and the residue paid in at the annual meeting of the Council.

It was referred to the Committee on Contingent Fund appointed to report to the next Council.

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The Committee on Credentials presented the credentials of Mr. Wm. Holman, delegate from Leighton Parish, Cumberland county.

Rev. H. M. Jackson offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft a schedule of special collections recommended to be taken during the ecclesiastical year in the several Parishes in this Diocese and report to the next Council.

Pending consideration of this motion the Council took recess for divine service.

FRIDAY, 1 P. M.

The Council met and renewed the consideration of the resolution to prepare a schedule of special collections.

The motion was lost.

Col. John M. Patton presented the following report from the Committee on the Brotherhood:

The undersigned, a Committee on the Brotherhood, beg leave to report, that sundry papers have been laid before us by the president of that corporation, including his annual report. From these papers it appears that the permanent fund derived from initiation fees, heretofore collected, amounts to the sum of $2,221.65, the annual income of which is the resource of the trustees for bearing the limited but necessary expenses of printing, &c. It is burdened by no salaries to the officers, whose services are rendered voluntarily and cheerfully without compensation.

Since the last report the lamented deaths of Rev. C. Y. Steptoe, Rev. Charles Mann and Rev. Geo. Woodbridge., D. D., have occurred, and partial payments have been made to their families, as far as collections have been made, of the sums of $1,170.98, $939.70, and $622 respectively. It is hoped that when collections are completed these sums will reach the usual average of $1,300 to each recipient.

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It appears that the creation of the new Diocese of West Virginia was the occasion of the withdrawal of nearly all the lay members of the brotherhood living in that Diocese. Notwithstanding this withdrawal of this large membership we still have the number of seven hundred members, who may fairly be relied on to sustain the organization. The report of the trustees, which is hereto annexed, contains words which should arrest the attention and arouse the efforts of every member on this floor, whether lay or clerical. After stating that this number of seven hundred "could be increased, if we could secure good agents in every Church (in very many we have none)," it proceeds: "We again make our yearly appeal to those attending the Council to aid us in this respect." Your committee cannot but ask whether it is right that these faithful officers should appeal year after year in vain for the manifestation of interest and for a cordial co-operation on the part of the members of this Council in that labor of love, which is ours by profession, but too much theirs alone in fact. Their labors must be less and less fruitful from year to year, unless far larger contributions of personal interest and aid shall be made by individuals in the future than in the past. The laity are to be blamed that they have not (whether from indifference, indolence, or other cause,) done as much as they could; but not less should the clergy take blame to themselves that they (whether from the same causes, or from what we cannot but think is a false delicacy,) have done their duty to this brotherhood even less effectively if possible than the laity.

If men will not interest themselves in that form of Christian effort which accomplishes the largest good at the least possible expense, which more than any other enterprise of this Church, which is connected with temporal things, has fallen like the gentle dew from heaven on blasted hearts and hopes beneath, by what motives shall we hope to stimulate them? Perhaps the naked facts before us may be more potent than any vain appeals—vain, if we are to define the word in the light of repeated previous failures in their effects.

The brotherhood has been effectively at work for eight years. In that time seventeen of our clerical members have died. The average payments by individual members have been a little over four dollars per annum, and as the result of this insignificant sacrifice, upward of $20,000 have been distributed among the helpless and bereaved families of our clerical members who have passed away. Such simple facts

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are more eloquent, more touching, more restful in the complete satisfaction they bestow than anything that any committee you could appoint could say, and it is needless to mar their beauty by further words.

Your committee therefore venture no further than to recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Council earnestly recommend to the laity of the Diocese to take hold of this great and good work with vigor; to the clergy, that they dismiss all groundless notions of delicacy, and give their personal influence to its success, and to both; that as a practical mode of work they see to it that there is an active agent of the brotherhood in every Parish of the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. M. PATTON, *Chairman.*
L. M. BLACKFORD,
J. W. BEVERIDGE,
Committee.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Rev. R. A. Goodwin presented the following:

Resolved, That in Parochial Reports the number of members of the Brotherhood of the Protestant Episcopal Church in each parish be given.

On motion, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports.

Col. W. H. Taylor, from the Committee on Clerical Support, presented the following, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the consideration of the matter of the support of the clergy, have carefully examined all the reports of the treasurers of parishes, touching this subject, handed to them by the secretary, and beg leave to make the following report:

Owing to the lack of uniformity on the part of the treasurers in the manner of making their statements, it was necessary for the committee in many cases to ascertain the amount of the deficit in the rector's salary by a troublesome calculation, that could and would be easily avoided,

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if the report in every case was required to be so made as to show the amount of salary promised to the rector for the year, or part of the year, ending on the 30th *day of April.* If this was done the standing committee could ascertain at a glance the amount that any church was delinquent on the first day of May; and the period of time covered by the treasurers' reports would be the same for all the churches of the Diocese. Your committee recommend that the language of the circular letter of the Secretary, calling for this information, be so amended as to remedy the defect stated.

It is very much to be regretted that a response to the Secretary's letter cannot be had in every case; and the Council can well understand how imperfectly the work expected of this committee has been performed, when it is ascertained that only one hundred and twelve churches in seventy-three parishes have made any report on this subject. We are without any information whatever touching the manner in which the remaining fifty-four churches, as reported in the Journal of 1877, have performed their duty in this regard.

Of the churches from which reports have been received, seventy-eight have paid in full the amounts promised their respective rectors, and thirty-four are delinquent in amounts varying from three dollars to nearly two hundred. The total amount delinquent being $1,901.36. This, in the judgment of your committee, is a most lamentable exhibit and calls for a decided expression of disapprobation from the Council.

Fully sympathizing with their brethren of the Church in many sections of the Diocese, in the sore trials in temporal matters to which they have been subjected, and fully recognizing the difficulties with which they have to contend in their endeavors to maintain themselves and those dependent on them, your committee would be loth to reproach or censure any parish, the peculiar circumstances of whose people were unknown to them, for any apparent lack of liberality in the offer held out by such parish to secure the residence and services of a pastor; but when their attention is directed to the fact that there are parishes in the Diocese of Virginia, whose people, after a careful and deliberate consideration of the obligation assumed, and with a full and perfect knowledge of the extent of their ability to perform the same, have entered into a contract to pay a stipulated amount during the year for the support of their rector, and having so agreed, have utterly failed to make good their promises, your committee submits that such conduct

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should be seriously rebuked, being ungenerous, unjust and inexcusable. The blessing of God in the inestimable privilege of the enjoyment of a faithful ministration in his service by one who, preaching the Gospel should live by the Gospel, cannot be expected long to continue with those who are thus recreant to their plainest duty. The man of business cannot permit his obligations to mature without making due provision for them, and escape that impairment of credit which will wreck his reputation and destroy his prospect of success; no more can these parishes allow their obligations to be thus dishonored and yet maintain their acceptability to God and the esteem and sympathy of their fellow men. And whilst your committee would question the wisdom of any sweeping line of action that would deprive many weak parishes of the needed aid now received from the Diocesan Missionary Society, they do think that a wise and judicious discrimination might be made by the Executive Committee of that society in the distribution of its funds, in illustration and enforcement of the principle that those should be helped most who help themselves, and by the application of which those who have heretofore neglected their bounden duty in this regard, would be aroused to a more lively appreciation of the duties which are inseparable from the privileges of those who claim to be members of the household of God.

Your committee has observed with much pleasure and thankfulness, that efforts, gradual, it is true, but earnest and systematic, are being made in several of the parishes now without rectories to provide them; and they recommend to every parish deficient in this respect, the inauguration of a like effort, no matter on how small a scale begun, that persistently and honestly persevered in, will ultimately secure a similar benefit to every church in the Diocese.

Your committee recommend the usual publication in the Journal and the *Southern Churchman* concerning the churches delinquent in the support of the clergy.

W. H. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, from the committee to consider and report upon the subject of increased Episcopal services, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Recognizing the desire of many that there shall be an assistant bishop of this Diocese, we recommend that the question of an assistant bishop

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be postponed to the next Council, to be then considered in all its aspects.

CHAS. MINNIGERODE, D. D., *Chairman.*
O. S. BARTEN, D. D.,
R. J. MCBRYDE,
W. Q. HULLIHEN,
T. M. CARSON,
GEO. W. DAME,
THOMAS MOORE,
J. RAVENSCROFT JONES,
GEO. P. TAYLOE,
GEORGE B. HARRISON,
TAYLOR BERRY.

The Council adjourned until 4 P. M.

FRIDAY, 4 P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the bishop.

Rev. J. E. Poindexter, from the Committee on Diocesan Missionary interests, presented the following report:

The committee appointed to consider and report upon such measures as shall be best in their judgment for the promotion of Diocesan Missionary interests respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

1st. That the executive committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society be, and they are, hereby instructed to strictly observe the regulations established by said committee in regard to the granting of aid to feeble parishes, except so far as they are modified by this report.

2nd. That such stipends, except in cases when, in the opinion of the executive committee, the rule would work manifest injury, shall be reduced at the rate of ten per cent. a year on the original amount.

3rd. That they be further instructed to lend aid only on condition that the parish or church receiving it pledge itself to increase its sub-

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scription to the minister's salary as fast as the stipend allowed by the society is reduced.

4th. That all ministers, whose parishes or churches receive aid from this society, be informed by its secretary that, in the opinion of this Council, it is their bounden duty to bring this subject before their congregations and faithfully to urge upon them the necessity of supporting themselves, that so the society, relieved from the burden under which it now groans, may enter upon its appropriate work.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Sprigg, the resolutions were taken up *seriatim*, and were all adopted.

The committee also offered the following:

WHEREAS, the twelfth Canon allows the erection of a new congregation only on condition that it is able to build a house of worship and support a minister; therefore,

Resolved, That article II of the Constitution be so amended, that the first section relating to lay members shall read as follows: "The Council shall also be composed of lay members, consisting of one delegate for each self-supporting (*i. e.*, receiving no assistance from the Missionary Society) Parish or Church chosen by the vestry or trustees thereof."

On motion of Rev. Dr. Sprigg, the resolution was laid on the table.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel gave notice that an amendment to Canon XIX, touching upon the subject of round dancing, would be introduced to-morrow.

Mr. J. Ravenscroft Jones presented the report of the Committee on Finance, as follows:

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese of Virginia, beg leave to report, that they have examined said accounts, and find them carefully and accurately kept, and sustained by proper vouchers. The balance on hand, deposited in the State Bank of Virginia at Richmond, was $709.87. This includes the sum of $294.89, which accrued to the funds of the Diocese from the judicious action of the Treasurer in securing interest on balances deposited in bank. Besides the customary appropriations heretofore made to the support of the Bishop, salary of the Secretary and

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Chaplains, and other ordinary expenses of the Diocese, the committee recommend the payment of $30 to the assistant Secretary, and the sum of $15 to the sexton of St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, for his services during the present session of the Council. The amount received by the Treasurer on account of the Contingent Fund, up to this report, is about $7,661.52. The committee further suggests, in view of the propriety of keeping this Contingent Fund sacred to the purposes for which it has been, and will be collected, that the Council appoint a committee of three—viz: our Treasurer, H. E. C. Baskervill, John L. Bacon and John H. Claiborne, all of the city of Richmond—to invest such surplus as may remain beyond necessary requirements, in ground rents or in mortgages on rent-paying insured property, not exceeding half its value, in the city of Richmond, the interest from which will in due time prove a sufficient revenue for the support of the Bishop and the necessary expenses of the Diocese.

J. RAVENSCROFT JONES, *Chairman.*

Rev. Dr. Dame, from the Committee on the Adjustment of Property Questions between this Diocese and that of West Virginia, moved that the delegates from West Virginia, Rev. James Grammer and Dr. James Logie, be invited to seats in the Council, and to participate in the discussion.

Carried.

Rev. Dr. Dame then presented a report.

It was ordered that the report be received, and the resolutions contained therein considered in their order.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel moved that the first resolution be adopted.

After discussion, Mr. J. Ravenscroft Jones moved that the whole subject be recommitted.

Carried.

Mr. Thomas Moore moved that the committee be enlarged to seven.

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The motion was lost.

Rev. R. T. Davis, D. D., moved it be enlarged to five.

Carried: and Mr. J. R. Jones and Mr. Taylor Berry were appointed.

On motion, the Council adjourned until to-morrow, at 9 A. M.

SATURDAY, May 18, 9 A. M.

The Council met at 9 A. M., and after prayer by Rev. J. J. Norwood, was called to order by the bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Revs. A. H. Currie, E. W. Hubard and R. S. Barrett appeared and took their seats.

The following lay delegates were reported by the Committee on Credentials:—Mr. John D. Letcher, alternate from Church of the Epiphany, Danville, and Mr. Thomas N. Sale, delegate from St. Thomas' Church, Bedford county.

Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, from Committee on the Subject of a Church Historiographer, presented the following:

The committee to which were referred the resolutions respecting the appointment of a Historiographer of this Diocese, begs leave to report that it has had the matter under consideration, and, while it is prepared to give its approval to the object of the said resolutions, and to sustain some proper and efficient means of collecting and preserving the materials for an authentic history of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese, and of testifying its entire satisfaction with the ability and zeal of the Rev. Dr. Slaughter in executing said work, yet, in consideration of the difficulty, for want of time, of digesting a plan for carrying out properly the object aforesaid at this time, respectfully

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requests and recommends that the time of making a full report be extended until the next meeting of the Council.

O. A. KINSOLVING,
J. T. BROWN,
JAMES M. WHITTLE.

Rev. Dr. Pendleton offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of the Council be tendered to the citizens of Lynchburg, and especially to the officers and members of St. Paul's Church, and to the Committee of Arrangements, for their great kindness and abounding hospitality.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Council be returned to the railroad and other transportation companies for their courtesies to the delegates and visitors to our meeting.

Resolved, That 1,500 copies of the Journal be printed for distribution.

The Council went into the election of the standing committee of the Diocese. Rev. J. K. Mason and Judge J. T. Brown were appointed tellers. They reported the election of the following committee:

Rev. J. Packard, D. D.,	Mr. Cassius F. Lee,
Rev. G. H. Norton, D. D.,	Mr. Charles S. Taylor,
Rev. D. F. Sprigg, D. D.,	Col. Arthur Herbert.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Sprigg, the following committees were appointed:

Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society:—Right Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., Rev. W. Norwood, D. D., Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., Rev. F. M. Baker, Rev. C. J. Gibson, D. D., Rev. T. G. Dashiell, Rev. W. Q. Hullihen, Rev. O. S. Barten, D. D., Rev. A. W. Weddell, D. D., Mr. Wm. F. Gray, Mr. David N. Walker, Mr. Geo. B. Harrison, Mr. John L. Williams.

Standing Committee on Church Property:—Rev. W. Norwood, D. D., Rev. T. G. Dashiell, Rev. F. M. Baker, Mr. D. N. Walker, Mr. John Stewart, Mr. John O. Steger.

Clerical Managers of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund:—Right Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., Rev. C. J. Gibson, D. D., Rev. T. G. Dashiell, Rev. T. F. Martin.

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On motion of Rev. Giles B. Cooke, the standing Committee on Colored Congregations was appointed as follows:

Right Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., Rev. C. J. Gibson, D. D., Rev. T. G. Dashiell, Rev. A. W. Weddell, D. D., Rev. Pike Powers, Rev. Wm. M. Dame, Rev. Thomas Spencer, Col. J. H. Skinner, Mr. R. T. Craighill, Mr. W. D. Gibson, Mr. J. L. Williams, Mr. Thomas Potts, Mr. Henry Jacob.

Rev. Dr. Pendleton, by request of Rev. E. V. Jones, from the Committee on the Canonical Arrangement of Convocations, presented the following majority report:

The majority of the committee on the proposed Canon establishing convocations throughout the Diocese, with definite bounds and work for each, respectfully report that they have given the subject such consideration as the time allowed, and that in view of objections, in their judgment very grave, they cannot recommend the adoption of the Canon proposed, or of the system which it contemplates.

W. N. PENDLETON,
W. NELSON,
JOSEPH R. ANDERSON.

Rev. E. V. Jones presented the following minority report:

Believing that the present missionary system of our Diocese is incomplete and inefficient, and that a remedy may be found in a more systematic organization of missionary effort on the part of the respective Parishes, the minority respectfully recommend the Canon proposed as being a more effective means of securing that end than the present voluntary convocations, which are unrecognized by this Council, and without the support of its official sanction.

EDW. VALENTINE JONES.

Rev. Thomas Spencer moved to recommit the subject to the same committee, enlarged by the addition of one member from each existing convocation, to report at the next Council.

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The motion was carried, and the following additional members appointed on the committee:

Petersburg, . .	Rev. Thomas Spencer.
Valley, . .	Mr. Wm. N. Nelson.
Danville, . .	Rev. Geo. W. Dame.
Piedmont, . .	Mr. Thomas Moore.
Central, . .	Rev. J. S. Hanckel, D. D.
Norfolk, . .	Mr. B. A. Marsden.
Richmond, . .	Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D.
Leighton, . .	Mr. Charles E. Cosby.
Rappahannock Valley, .	Rev. B. D. Tucker.
South Western, . .	Mr. R. T. Craighill.

Rev. J. S. Lindsay presented the following from the Committee on Parochial reports;

The committee on Parochial reports beg leave to submit the following:

Number of baptisms—Adults, white, 421, colored, 21			442
Infants, " 1,176, " 157			1,333
Total			1,775
Number of confirmations			1,221
Number of communicants:—			
Formerly reported			10,919
Added		1,436	
Removed	637		
Withdrawn	182		
Suspended	41		
Died	195		
		1,055	381
Present number			11,300
Number of marriages			380
Number of funerals			681
Sunday Schools—Teachers, white, 1,366, colored, 83			1,449
Scholars, " 8,298 " 1,101			9,399
			10,848

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Response to Diocese of West Virginia.

Parish Schools—Teachers, white, 15, colored, 4		19
Scholars, " 213, " 150		363
		382
Contributions—Sunday School	$4,176 53	
General	92,090 82	
	$96,267 35	

Your committee beg leave to add two statements to the above report:—First, that these statistics do not fully represent the facts in this Diocese, but only such as are embodied in the Parochial reports that have been received, some of the Parishes having sent in no report, and some of those sent being meagre and imperfect. Secondly, that in comparing this summary with that of last year, it must be borne in mind that since that time the Parishes now embraced in the Diocese of West Virginia have been withdrawn from this Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. LINDSAY, *Chairman.*

Rev. E. Withers presented the following:

The committee appointed to respond to a Committee of the Diocese of West Virginia, with reference to their separation from the Diocese of Virginia, beg leave respectfully to report:

We cordially reciprocate the affectionate feelings of our brethren of West Virginia in the painful but necessary separation from us imposed upon us by the providence of God, and while bidding farewell to those who have lately been so closely bound to us in fraternal affection and in Diocesan interest, we earnestly implore the blessing of Almighty God on our clerical and lay brethren of the Diocese of West Virginia, and bid them God speed.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND WITHERS,
CHURCHILL J. GIBSON,
WILLIAM M. DAME.

On motion, this report was ordered to be printed in the Journal, and a copy to be sent to the secretary of the Council of the Diocese of West Virginia.

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Rev. E. V. Jones offered the following report, which was adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the resolution proposing to make five members of a vestry of twelve a quorum for the transaction of business, subject to review by the entire vestry within thirty days, respectfully report that, in their judgment, such legislation is unnecessary, inasmuch as in country Parishes, where it may be difficult to get together a majority of twelve, the vestry may be reduced to nine, of which five is a quorum, or seven, or five, or even three, with quorums easier to be secured.

EDW. VALENTINE JONES,
W. N. PENDLETON,
W. NELSON,
JOSEPH R. ANDERSON.

Rev. T. G. Dashiell offered the following resolution, which was carried:

Resolved, That the following schedule of special collections be recommended by the Council:

For Diocesan Missionary Society in Advent.
For Foreign Missions in Epiphany.
For Disabled Clergy Fund at Christmas.
For Widows' and Orphan's Fund in Lent.
For Education Society of Virginia in June.

Rev. H. M. Jackson offered the following:

Resolved, That the presidents of the several convocations of this Diocese shall be constituted honorary members of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionsary Society.

Carried.

Col. John M. Patton offered the following from the Committee on Adjustment of Property Relations with the Diocese of West Virginia.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Virginia should pay to the Diocese of West Virginia the sum of five thousand dollars, two thousand dollars to be paid as soon as the

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Diocese of West Virginia shall appoint a hand to receive it, and the remaining portion to be paid in annual instalments of one thousand dollars each thereafter.

Provided, That the payment of the said sum of money by the Diocese of Virginia, and the acceptance thereof by the Diocese of West Virginia, shall *ipso facto* operate a release of all property claims by the Diocese of West Virginia against the Diocese of Virginia, and that these resolutions be certified by the secretary to the Council of West Virginia.

GEO. W. DAME,
D. N. WALKER,
JNO. M. PATTON,
J. RAVENSCROFT JONES,
TAYLOR BERRY.

The resolution was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel presented the following report from the Committee on the State of the Church:

The conciliar year just closed has been an eventful one in the history of Virginia. In her ecclesiastical status she is no longer the Virginia of the olden time, but Virginia dismembered. The organization of West Virginia, as an independent Diocese, involves the severance of ties which have endured her entire life period as a Diocèse, and that of many of her still remaining members. "The mother of States," in her civil, in her ecclesiastical sphere, her's must henceforth be the glory and the joy of a mother of Dioceses. No word of ours is, we feel persuaded, needful to elicit from the mother or to assure the daughter of a continuance of fostering care, since such care will be the spontaneous outflow of maternal love and interest.

Yet other sad associations tinge the year just closed. Changeful as is this world of change, we miss more than the usual number from the group of familiar faces wont to gather at our annual Councils. Seldom has the reaper Death taken from our ranks a larger number—never been more impartial in taking alike

"The bearded grain
And the flowers that grow between."

Four of our clerical brethren have gone to their rest. Two of the very oldest having fallen at their posts, mailed and in armor clad to the last—two summoned while it was yet day to lay their armor down.

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Loved forms and faces of our lay brethren also are missing, and the places which once knew them shall know them no more. Of these changes we can only say, "Even so, Father!"

But other and in one aspect sadder removals have occurred, and that in unprecedented number—removals which appeal not only to our feelings but to our sense of duty. The bishop reports a very large number of clerical dismissals from our Diocese for lack of adequate support. We know that some did not leave us willingly, but with the heart of exiles. Shall the reproach of failing to make provision for her own rest upon Virginia, when every one who has gone, and many more, are needed to fill waste places at home? In the reports made and tabulated by the appropriate Committee on Clerical Support, we grieve to note no indication of abatement of the cause of this deplorable depletion of our clerical ranks. On the contrary, the evil would appear to be on the increase. Shall it culminate in a famine not of bread, but for lack of bread of hearing the word of the Lord?

One agency adopted to avert this (our Diocesan Missionary Board) should be enabled to stand in the gap, and effectively redress the wrong so portentous of disaster to the cause of Christ and His Church in Virginia. A small increase in the amount, at the disposal of this Board, is indeed reported; but with no miracle-working Lord to interpose, we are constrained to ask, "What are these among so many?" Divided among twenty-four missionaries in their employ, the whole amount received affords an average stipend of only $250 per annum to each. Instead of considerably less than $6,000 contributed, the Diocesan Board should have twice that amount placed at their disposal. The imperative need of increased liberality in support of this cause is rendered more urgent by the relinquishment on our part of any further aid from the Central Board, and as new fields are developed and brought into notice "in sections of the State" traversed by our evangelist, and in the large number of counties in which our Church is unknown.

Another vast field (the colored population of the State)—a field as yet very partially occupied, claims our attention and culture. Furnishing as this class does the labor best adapted to our peculiar wants, and at the same time the least turbulent, most orderly, and on every account most desirable, which capital anywhere controls, it is little to expect, and, to say the very least, impolitic and unchristian to withhold provision for their spiritual as well as temporal necessities. One clerical brother (Rev. G. B. Cooke) is standing nobly at his post in this impor-

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tant sphere of evangelic enterprise, whose hands should be upheld and whose needs should be supplied, and that cheerfully and without stint by the Church at large. Your committee rejoice to note cheering indications of success in his work, and especially the fact that two of this class, drawn from his school, are now candidates for holy orders. A ministry of their own race is one of their most imperative needs—a need which schools, like Mr. Cooke's, are best calculated to supply.

But while thus addressing to the Council and those they represent words of exhortation, your committee would be both unwise and ungrateful did they fail to acknowledge or record what in the past year has under God been accomplished. In spite of the very considerable curtailment of our Diocesan limits, and of the withdrawal of so many of her active clergy from the old Diocese, it is simply marvellous that so much progress should be indicated. Never has the number of confirmations (1,300) been so large, and never therefore so considerable an accession made to what ought to be the working power of our church, the number (nine) of new churches consecrated, the large number of ordinations (twenty-three) and of candidates (twenty-six) for Holy Orders, all call for thankfulness, and lead us to exclaim "what hath God wrought."

In the absence too of an adequate supply of ordained laborers, it is encouraging to observe that the number of lay co-workers is steadily on the increase.

The contributions also of our churches to benevolent objects equal in amount the contributions of last year, notwithstanding our loss in numbers and resources by the setting off of the Diocese of West Virginia.

Painful as part of our duty has already been, the most painful yet remains to be performed. Set on the watchtower and required to answer "what of the night?" while glad to respond "the morning cometh," we must in grief and candour add, and "also the night." Indications of decay and defection as well as of progress must be noted, and if possible needed corrections suggested.

At the Council held in Norfolk (1872), our then venerable chief pastor (Bishop Johns)—now with God—entered his solemn protest and issued his fatherly admonition against "promiscuous round dancing." By many of his spiritual charge that admonition has been wholly disregarded, and his successor in office has felt constrained at this time to reiterate and emphasize his godly counsel. That counsel so godly and so eminently timely should have been unheeded by "them that are

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without" is not so surprising. But that those "who are within," and who name the name of Him "who pleased not Himself," when solemnly warned of the danger to themselves and of the injury to others should be thus unheedful, affords matter for both surprise and sorrow. It does more. It suggests that some decided action is needed on the part of this, the representative body of our Church in Virginia, to repress, if possible (among her members at least), a practice so reprehensible in the participants themselves and so fraught with evil to society at large.

Your committee feel sensibly the difficulty of indicating what that action should be, and the delicacy involved in its very discussion—that discussion we would fain waive, contenting ourselves first with the most emphatic and perfectly unanimous endorsement of the bishop's admonition as eminently both godly and timely. Secondly, by endeavoring to provide for the discipline indicated by him as desirable by the following sub-section to Canon XIX of our Diocese.

Section 2, Canon XIX. Persons who engage in promiscuous round dancing, by which is meant round dancing between males and females, in the judgment of this Council, are not, in the language of the Rubric, "fit to be presented to the bishop to be confirmed;" and communicants who engage in such round dancing should, "after the first and second admonition," be advertised "that they presume not to come to the Lord's table."

J. S. HANCKEL,
P. SLAUGHTER,
RICHARD T. DAVIS,
O. A. KINSOLVING,
JN. A. WHARTON,
W. NELSON,
J. H. CLAIBORNE,
JOHN STEWART,
JNO. W. GREEN.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel moved that the vote on the amendment to Canon XIX proposed in the report be taken without debate.

Carried.

Rev. B. D. Tucker moved the following as a substitute for the proposed amendment:

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Amendment to Canon.

Resolved, That this Council earnestly endorses the admonition of the Bishop with relation to round dancing.

On motion, it was laid upon the table.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel moved the reference of the proposed amendment to a committee of two clergymen and two laymen, to report after divine service.

Carried, and the following committee appointed:

Rev. J. S. Hanckel, D. D.,	Mr. John Stewart,
" O. A. Kinsolving,	" John H. Claiborne.

Rev. H. M. Jackson moved that the proposed amendment be referred to the committee appointed to report on the Canons to the next Council.

The motion was laid on the table.

The Council took recess for divine service.

The Council reässembled at 12:30 P. M.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel presented the following:

The committee to whom was referred the proposed second section of Canon XIX, respectfully report that they unanimously recommend its adoption by the Council.

J. S. HANCKEL, *for Committee.*

Rev. B. D. Tucker moved the following as a substitute for the proposed amendment to the Canon:

WHEREAS, The Bishop in his address to this Council has called attention to the great and dangerous evil of round dancing;

Resolved, First, that this Council hereby declares that this social amusement is one of a character in which Christian people ought not to engage.

Resolved, Secondly, that this council earnestly and emphatically urges this subject

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upon the attention of the clergy, and recommends that they strenuously use every endeavor to abate the same by admonition and discipline.

It was moved to lay this substitute on the table.

A vote by orders was called for, which resulted as follows:

CLERGY.

AYES.—Bishop Whittle, Rev. Messrs. Ambler, Baker, Barrett, P. M. Boyden, Carson, Cooke, Craighill, N. P. Dame, Dashiell, D. C. T. Davis, R. T. Davis, Gibbs, C. J. Gibson, R. A. Goodwin, Greaves, Gravatt, Hanckel, E. W. Hubard, Hullihen, J. H. Hundley, Kepler, Kinsolving, Latané, Lawrence, Martin, J. K. Mason, McNabb, E. Meade, J. J. Norwood, Packard, Pendleton, W. H. H. Powers, Reed, Scott, Slaughter, Sothoron, F. Stringfellow, Suter, Sutton, Ware, J. A. Wharton.—42.

NOES.—Rev. Messrs. Bunting, Jackson, W. S. Jones, Lindsay, L. R. Mason, McGuire, Meredith, Minnigerode, G. W. Nelson, Newton, Peterkin, Poindexter, Roller, Spencer, Sprigg, Tucker, Ward, White, Williams and Withers.—20.

LAY DELEGATES.

AYES.—Messrs. Abbott, Beckwith, L. M. Blackford, Browning, J. H. Claiborne, Cooke, Cosby, Cuthbert, Godwin, Green, Howell, J. R. Jones, Kean, Lawrence, Lumsden, Macon, Marston, William Nelson, Pate, G. R. C. Phillips, Powell, Sale, Sclater, Stewart, A. Taliaferro, Tayloe and Thorp.—27.

NOES.—Messrs. Adams, Baughman, Berkeley, Berry, C. M. Blackford, Bolling, Bouldin, J. T. Brown, Cole, Davis, Fisher, Gray, Halsey, G. B. Harrison, Hunter, Lane, Letcher, Lippett, Marsden, Meem, Moncure, Patton, Payne, Semmes and Walker.—25.

So the substitute of Rev. B. D. Tucker was laid on the table.

Rev. J. B. Newton offered the following substitute for the Canon:

Resolved, 1st. That the members of this Council, both clerical and lay, do most earnestly deprecate the practice of round dancing between the sexes, and believe it to be the solemn duty of every communicant in this church to abstain therefrom.

2nd. That we earnestly entreat the members of our communion, as they value their own souls, and for the love of Christ, to heed the godly admonition of our Bishop on this subject.

3rd. That these resolutions be printed in two consecutive numbers of the *Southern Churchman*, and that every minister in this Diocese be requested to read them before

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his congregation, and to use every effort to arrest the practice of round dancing by admonition and discipline.

A vote by ayes and noes and by orders was called for, which resulted as follows:

CLERGY.

AYES.—Revs. F. M. Baker, P. M. Boyden, Bunting, Carson, N. P. Dame, R. A. Goodwin, Greaves, E. W. Hubard, Jackson, W. S. Jones, Latané, L. R. Mason, McGuire, Meredith, Minnigerode, G. W. Nelson, Newton, Peterkin, Poindexter, W. H. H. Powers, Reed, Roller, Spencer, Sprigg, Tucker, Ward, White and Withers.—28.

NOES.—Bishop Whittle, Revs. J. Ambler, Barrett, Cooke, Craighill, Currie, Dashiell, D. C. T. Davis, R. T. Davis, Gibbs, C. J. Gibson, Gravatt, Hanckel, Hullihen, J. H. Hundley, Kepler, Kinsolving, Lawrence, Martin, J. K. Mason, McNabb, E. Meade, J. J. Norwood, Packard, Pendleton, Scott, Slaughter, Sothoron, F. Stringfellow, Suter, Sutton, Ware, J. A. Wharton and Williams.—34.

LAY DELEGATES.

AYES.—Messrs. Adams, Baughman, Berkeley, Berry, C. M. Blackford, Bolling, Bouldin, Browning, Brown, Cole, Davis, Fisher, Gray, Halsey, G. B. Harrison, Hunter, Kean, Lane, Lippitt, Letcher, Marsden, Meem, Moncure, Payne, Patton, Semmes, Tayloe, and Walker.—28.

NOES.—Messrs. Abbott, Beckwith, L. M. Blackford, J. H. Claiborne, Cooke, Cosby, Cuthbert, Godwin, Green, Howell, J. R. Jones, Lawrence, Lumsden, Marston, Wm. Nelson, Pate, G. R. C. Phillips, Powell, Sale, Sclater, Stewart, A. Taliaferro, and Thorp.—23.

So the substitute of the Rev. J. B. Newton was lost.

Rev. Dr. Sprigg moved to lay the proposed Canon on the table until next Council.

The motion was lost.

The voting then recurred upon the Canon.

A vote by orders was called for, which resulted as follows:

CLERGY.

AYES.—Bishop Whittle, Revs. J. Ambler, Barrett, P. M. Boyden, Carson, Cooke, Craighill, Currie, Dashiell, D. C. T. Davis, R. T. Davis, Gibbs, C. J. Gibson, R. A. Goodwin, Gravatt, Hanckel, Hullihen, J. H. Hundley, Kepler, Kinsolving, Latané,

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Lawrence, Martin, J. K. Mason, McNabb, E. Meade, J. J. Norwood, Packard, Pendleton, Peterkin, W. H. H. Powers, Scott, Slaughter, Sothoron, Spencer, Sprigg, F. Stringfellow, Suter, Sutton, Ware, J. A. Wharton, White, Williams and Withers.—44.

NOES.—Revs. O. S. Bunting, N. P. Dame, Greaves, E. W. Hubard, Jackson, W. S. Jones, Lindsay, L. R. Mason, McGuire, Meredith, Minnigerode, G. W. Nelson, Newton, Poindexter, Reed, Roller, Tucker and Ward.—18.

LAY DELEGATES.

AYES.—Messrs. Abbot, Baughman, Beckwith, L. M. Blackford, Bolling, Brown, J. H. Claiborne, Cosby, Cuthbert, Davis, Godwin, Green, Howell, J. R. Jones, Kean, Lawrence, Lumsden, Macon, Marston, Wm. Nelson, Pate, G. R. C. Phillips, Powell, Sale, Sclater, Stewart, A. Taliaferro and Thorp.—28.

NOES.—Messrs. Adams, Berkeley, Berry, C. M. Blackford, Bouldin, Browning, Cole, Cooke, Fisher, Gray, Halsey, G. B. Harrison, Hunter, Lane, Letcher, Lippett, Marsden, Meem, Moncure, Patton, Semmes, Taylor and Walker—23.

So the Canon was not adopted by this Council for want of a two-thirds vote, and declared as going over to the next Council for final action.

Rev. Dr. Hanckel then moved to reconsider the resolutions offered by Rev. J. B. Newton.

Motion carried.

Rev. J. B. Newton's resolutions were then voted on, and carried unanimously.

On motion, the Council adjourned until 4 P. M.

SATURDAY, 4 P. M.

The Council met, and was called to order by the bishop.

Rev. W. Q. Hullihen offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of $700 be appropriated from the Contingent Fund for evangelistic purposes, to be placed in the hands of the bishop, and to be used by him for such work, in addition to the balance already in his hands.

Carried.

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Rev. W. Q. Hullihen moved that five hundred extra copies of the report of the Committee on Federal Relations be printed for general distribution.

Carried.

Rev. Dr. Minnigerode presented the following from the Committee on New Parishes:

The Committee on New Parishes, to which was referred the petition of certain parties in Overwharton Parish, Stafford county, for the recognition of a church in said parish and county, have considered the same, and recommend that it be returned to the petitioners, on the ground that the proper course for them to adopt in pursuance of their object, would be to apply to the Council that the church referred to be permitted to separate from the parish of Overwharton, Stafford county, and unite with Lamb's Creek Church, Brunswick Parish, county of King George.

In reference to the application of Emmanuel Church, Dublin, Va., also referred to the committee, petitioning that said church in Pulaski county be formed into a new parish, they recommend that it be approved. The metes and bounds of said parish to be as follows: All that part of the county bounded by the county lines of said county to a point in the eastern part of said county on the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio railroad known as Morgan's Cut, and to lines extending due north and south from said point to Giles county on the north and New river on the south. All the canonical provisions have been complied with except that no notice was given to a vestry of West Augusta Parish, of which said county was reported originally to have been a part, the actual existence and locality of which parish and vestry, however, is unknown to the parties. The committee, upon full consideration of the circumstances, and the long distances with several counties and organized parishes intervening from the actual parish of Augusta county, have unanimously resolved that the erection of this church into a new parish in Pulaski county, as described above, is in accordance with the intent and spirit of the Canon.

CHAS. MINNIGERODE, *Chairman.*

The report of the committee was approved.

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On motion, the bishop was added to the committee appointed to revise the Canons.

Rev. W. Q. Hullihen moved that the subject of the formation of new parishes be referred to the committee on revision of the Canons.

Carried.

Rev. Dr. Davis moved that the thanks of the Council be tendered to the pages acting at this session.

Carried.

The minutes of this day's session were read and approved.

The Council then united in singing the three hundredth and fifteenth hymn,

"Blest be the tie that binds,"

and after prayer offered by the bishop, adjourned *sine die.*

T. G. DASHIELL, *Secretary.*

THOMAS SPENCER, *Assistant Secretary.*

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APPENDIX.

Treasurers' and Parochial Reports, &c.

For 1878.

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Treasurer's Account.

The Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Virginia,

In account with JOHN H. CLAIBORNE, *Treasurer.*

1877.		
May 16	—By balance in hands of the treasurer	$357 37
18	—Green and Walker Parishes, Rev. E. Boyden	12 58
	Brandon Parish, Rev. J. W. Keeble	3 00
22	—Friend in Blacksburg	1 00
24	—St. Peters and Grace Churches, Caroline county, Rev. J. E. Poindexter	3 52
June 18	—Abingdon Church, Gloucester county, Rev. A. Y. Hundley	6 00
24	—Mrs. J. C. James, Goochland county, Rev. H. B. Lee	1 00
Aug. 23	—Mrs. J. C. James, Goochland county, Rev. H. B. Lee	1 00
Sept. 13	—Brandon Church, Prince George county, Rev. J. W. Keeble	2 00
Dec'r 25	—St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, Rev. Pike Powers	5 00
26	—St. James' Church, Richmond, Wm. F. Gray, treasurer	40 30
	Emmanuel Church, Henrico county, Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D.	42 18
27	—Emmanuel Church, Volcano, Rev. S. D. Tompkins	2 15
	Grace Church, Emmanuel Parish, Fauquier county, Rev. W. Strother Jones	6 50
	St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Rev. C. R. Hains, D. D	37 20
	St. James' Church, Leesburg, H. O. Claggett, treasurer	22 31
	St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, Rev. T. M. Carson	36 00
	St. Paul's Church, Suffolk, Rev. J. B. Craighill	11 21
	St. Thomas' Church, Orange Court-house, Jno. G. Williams, treasurer	11 23
28	—St. John's Church, Liberty, Rev. H. Suter	12 00
	St. John's Church, Big Lick, Rev. Ed. H. Ingle	9 00
	Emmanuel Church, Harrisonburg, Rev. D. Barr	8 28
	St. Andrew's Church, Lawrenceville, Rev. Robb. White	6 75
	St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, Rev. R. J. McBride	55 62
	St. Thomas' Church, Abingdon, Geo. Keller, Jr., treasurer	6 70
	Abingdon Church, Gloucester county, Ro. C. Selden, treasurer	8 50
29	—St. Thomas Church, Middletown, Rev. Jno. K. Mason	6 00
	St. Stephen's Church, Petersburg, Rev. Giles B. Cooke	5 00
	Whittle Parish, Fauquier county, James R. Foster	15 13
	Christ Church, Charlottesville, Rev. J. S. Hanckel	75 00
	Wickliffe Church, Clark county, P. H. Powers, treasurer	3 10
31	—Zion Church, Charlestown, Rev. Wm. H. Meade	41 21
	Mt. Zion Church, Hedgesville, Rev. W. T. Leavell	2 50
	Blacksburg Church, Gray Carroll, treasurer	7 75
	St. Martin's Parish, Hanover county, Rev. R. D. Roller	15 00

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Treasurer's Account.

1878.

Jan. 1	—St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, John A. Dixon, treasurer	165 00
	Christ Church, Alexandria, C. F. Lee, Jr., treasurer	48 18
2	—St. John's Church, Big Lick, additional, Rev. E. H. Ingle	1 00
	Church of Epiphany, Danville, Rev. Geo. W. Dame	12 24
	St. John's Church, Liberty, additional, Rev. H. Suter	2 00
	St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, additional, Rev. Pike Powers,	40
	Grace Church, Richmond, Rev. H. Melville Jackson	28 70
	Trinity Church, Upperville, Rev. W. H. Johnson	4 00
	Emmanuel Church, Middleburg, Rev. W. H. Johnson	7 60
	St. Peter's Church, Westmoreland county, Rev. Wm. C. Latane	5 75
3	—Mapsico Church, Charles City county, Rev. A. Wade, D. D.	5 98
	Westover Church, Charles City county, Rev. A. Wade, D. D.,	14 02
	St. John's Church, Halifax county, Rev. O. A. Kinsolving	22 00
	St. John's Church, Tappahannock, Rev. Everard Meade	10 86
	Christ Church Parish, Lancaster county, Rev. Henry L. Derby,	5 25
	Friend in Albemarle	2 00
	Christ Church, Mathews county, Thomas B. Lane, treasurer	3 00
4	—St. Stephen's Church, Bedford county, Rev. Albert Ware	2 25
	S. Y. A., Richmond	10 00
	Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Anne county, Rev. E. A. Penick,	20 50
5	—Christ Church, Loudoun county, Rev. Theo. Reed	3 50
	St. John's Church, Richmond, J. M. Estes, treasurer	50 33
	St. Mark's Church, Richmond, Rev. T. G. Dashiell	20 25
	Emmanuel Church, Henrico county, additional, Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D.	5 00
8	—Chapel Theological Seminary, Rev. Jos. Packard, D. D.	35 00
	Grace Church, Lexington, C. M. Figat, treasurer	30 00
	Truro Parish, Fairfax county, Rev. John McGill	3 07
	Christ Church, Millwood, Rev. Jos. R. Jones	32 86
	Meade Memorial Church, Manchester, Rev. J. J. Sams	3 00
	St. John's Church, Hampton, H. C. Marrow, treasurer	8 69
	Bruton Parish Church, Williamsburg, Rev. Henry Wall	11 40
9	—Amherst Parish, Amherst county, Rev. J. P. Lawrence	2 50
	St. Thomas Church, Abingdon, additional, George Keller, Jr., treasurer	1 00
	St. John's Church, Richmond county, Wm. A. Brockenbrough, treasurer	8 34
	St. Panl's Church, Prince William county, Rev. John Ambler,	3 50
	Emmanuel Church, Fauquier county, Rev. John Ambler	3 00
	Leeds Church, Fauquier county, Rev. H. B. Lee	7 20
	Farnham Parish, Richmond county, Wm. A. Brockenbrough, treasurer	1 19
10	—Grace Church, Caroline county, Rev. Jas. E. Poindexter	4 04

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Treasurer's Account.

	Trinity Church, Martinsburg, Rev. John W. Lea	10 00
	Grace Church, Berryville, Rev. T. F. Martin	11 05
	Grace Church, Alexandria, Rev. F. M. Baker	6 30
	Mrs. Sprigg, Alexandria, Rev. F. M. Baker	3 70
	St. Luke's Church, Powhatan county, Rev. F. Stringfellow	12 00
12—	Miss Mary Moore, Richmond	2 00
	Emmanuel Church, Dublin, Rev. Geo. S. Gibbs	3 00
	Langley Chapel, Fairfax county, E. L. Goodwin	2 50
14—	St. James the Less, Ashland, Frank Holland, treasurer	3 25
	St. John's Church, Portsmouth, Rev. J. D. Powell	7 40
	Member St. James Church, Richmond	1 00
15—	Immanuel Church, Hanover county, Rev. B. E. Habersham	8 00
	St. Luke's, Norfolk, Rev. J. B. Newton	12 00
17—	Christ Church, Albemarle county, Rev. Thomas E. Locke	4 00
	St. John's Church, Wytheville, D. K. Gibboney, treasurer	6 31
	Grub Hill Church, Amelia county, Rev. P. F. Berkely	7 00
	Christ Church, Point Pleasant, Rev. T. H. Lacy	4 12
	St. Paul's Church, Suffolk, additional, Rev. J. B. Craighill	50
	Glebe Church, Nansemond county, Rev. J. B. Craighill	2 71
	Miss Margaretta Keeling, Nansemond county, Rev. J. B. Craighill	2 00
	Bloomfield Parish, Rappahannock county, Rev. E. W. Hubbard	4 50
19—	St. Stephen's Church, Culpeper county, Rev. J. G. Minnigerode	8 00
24—	St. Paul's Church, Ivy Depot, Rev. J. A. Greaves	3 00
25—	Leighton Parish, Cumberland county, Rev. J. H. Morrison	7 26
	St. John's Church, Rivanna Parish, Rev. J. H. Morrison	2 21
	Fork Union, Rivanna Parish, Rev. J. H. Morrison	5 74
	Mrs. W. F. Brooking, Orange county	1 00
26—	St. James' Church, Leesburg, additional, H. O. Claggett, treasurer	23 00
28—	St. James' Church, Mecklenburg county	8 80
	St. Luke's Church, Mecklenburg county	4 25
	Old Church, Mecklenburg county, Rev. R. A. Goodwin	95
	Trinity Church, Staunton, Rev. W. Q. Hullihen	30 00
30—	Calvary Church, Front Royal, Rev. Jos. R. Jones	5 50
	Emmanuel Church, Chatham, Rev. W. A. Alrich	8 26
	Christ Church, Winchester, Rev. J. R. Hubbard	10 00
	Mrs. M. S. Hankins, James City county, Rev. F. M. Baker	1 00
	Mrs. Agnes G. Venable, Danville, Rev. G. W. Dame	1 00
1878.		
Feb. 2—	Emmanuel Church, Powhatan county, Rev. F. Stringfellow	6 50
5—	Mrs. A. G. Venable, Danville, Oscar Bunting	3 00
	Mrs. A. M. Bolton, Charlottesville, Rev. F. M. Baker	5 00

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	St. Paul's Church, Ivy Depot, additional, Rev. J. A. Greaves,		50
6	—Christ Church, Gordonsville, J. D. Pendleton, treasurer		15 20
	Friend in Eastville, Rev. J. J. Norwood		5 00
	St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, additional, Rev. F. M. Baker		2 80
7	—Whittle Parish, Fauquier county, J. R. Foster		1 00
	Ware Parish, Gloucester county, W. D. Williams		11 00
8	—Christ Church, Smithfield county, Rev. E. W. Wroth		5 25
11	—Member Christ Church, Middlesex county, Rev. F. M. Baker,		2 00
15	—Merchants' Hope Church, Prince George county		8 15
	St. John's Church, City Point, Rev. E. V. Jones		9 55
18	—Miss Sappington, Arkansas, Rev. F. M. Baker		1 00
19	—St. Thomas' Church, Orange Court-house, additional, Jno. G. Williams, treasurer		2 00
20	—St. Luke's Church, Mecklenburg county, additional, Rev. R. A. Goodwin		1 00
21	—Brandon Parish, Prince George county, Rev. J. W. Keeble		5 00
23	—Cople Parish, Westmoreland county, W. Newton		7 80
28	—Trinity Church, Nelson county, Rev. Ed. Withers		10 00
	Norwood Church, Nelson county, Rev. Ed. Withers		1 50
Mar. 12	—Bethlehem Church, Nelson county, Rev. Ed. Withers		3 00
	Kentucky		2 50
April 2	—Friend in Baltimore, Rev. A. M. Randolph		10 00
6	—St. Paul's Church, Norfolk, R. A. Marsden, treasurer		26 02
10	—Hanover Parish, King George county, Rev. E. B. McGuire		4 00
26	—St. Peter's Church, New Kent county, Rev. H. S. Kepler.		3 10
	Mrs. Boyd, New Kent county, Rev. H. S. Kepler		75
29	—North Farnham Parish, Richmond county, Rev. B. D. Tucker,		2 00
May 6	—Christ Church, Norfolk, F. S. Taylor, treasurer		40 82
7	—St. Thomas, St. James, Northam Parish, Goochland county, P. M. Boyden		4 60
	St. James Church, Leesburg, additional, H. O. Claggett, treasurer		10 00
1877			
July	—6 months interest on $5,750 in Richmond City Bonds,	$172 50	
1878			
January	—6 months interest on $5,750 in Richmond City Bonds,	172 50	
	6 months interest on $500 in Virginia and Tennessee Railroad Bond	20 00	
	6 months interest on $500 in Virginia and Tennessee Railroad Bond	20 00	
			385 00
			$2,312 31

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Amount brought forward,		$2,312 31
To cash contributed to the support of Rev. Messrs. Meade, Smith, Goodwin, Slaughter, Mann and Stringfellow, $250 each	1,500 00	
To Rev. A. H. Currie	50 00	
		1,550 00
Balance		$762 31

ASSETS OF THE SOCIETY, MAY 15TH, 1878.

Richmond City Bonds	$5,750 00
Virginia Central Railroad Bonds	3,000 00
Virginia and Tennessee Railroad Bond	500 00
Past due Coupons Virginia Central Railroad Bonds	450 00
Cash	762 31

J. H. CLAIBORNE, *Treasurer.*

Richmond, May 15th, 1878.

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THE BRUCE FUND *from May, 1877, to May, 1878, account* J. L. BACON, *Treasurer.*

To cash for the following appropriations, viz:

Church at Pungoteague, Accomac, per voucher, marked F	$ 204 60
Church at Dublin, voucher A	231 00
Church at Dublin, voucher B	69 00
Chapel in Westmoreland, voucher C	50 00
Church in Northumberland, voucher D	100 00
Church in Franklin, voucher E	200 00
Balance waiting drafts already drawn	501 20
	$1,355 80

1877.

CREDITS.

By amount on hand, May, 1877	204 60
By November, 1877, coupon of Richmond and Danville Railroad Company	30 00
Novemb—By $240, July, 1877, Virginia tax receivable coupons sold at 83¾	201 00
1878.	
January—By sale of Richmond and Danville Railroad Company bond at 73	730 00
April —By sale of January, 1878, coupons of Virginia consols at 79¼	190 20
	$1,355 80
May 15—By balance brought down as above	501 20

ASSETS OF THE BRUCE FUND, MAY, 1878.

Virginia Central Railroad bonds	8,300 00
Past due coupons thereon	1,086 00
Virginia consols	8,000 00
	$17,386 00

J. L. BACON, *Treasurer.*

Richmond, May 14, 1878.

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THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
In account with J. L. WILLIAMS, *Treasurer.*

1877.			
May	14—By balance per account rendered	$736	42
	19—By a member of Immanuel Church, Hanover	5	00
	By Christ Church, Spotsylvania	3	83
	By Hanover Parish, King George county	7	08
	By Rev. James Grammar	15	00
	By St. Luke's Church, Powhatan	32	81
	By Julia and Willie, missionary box St. Paul's Church, Hanover	20	00
	By Blenheim mite box	5	00
	By Emmanuel Church, Powhatan county	15	50
	By Trinity Church, Franklin county	8	00
	By Christ Church, Henry county	5	00
	By Ridley Parish (Rev. C. Y. Steptoe)	53	50
	By a friend, Hungar's Parish	5	00
	By Grace Church, Fauquier county	5	00
	By Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg county	5	00
	By St. Peter's Church, Port Royal	13	92
	By Grace Church, Caroline county	14	08
	By Rev. E. Boyden	8	60
	By Emmanuel and Ridley Parishes	20	50
	23—By Trinity Church, Staunton, collection at Council	178	64
	By a friend, Goochland		80
	By Washington Parish, Westmoreland county	10	00
	28—By C. M. Blackford	14	25
	29—By Misses Lacy, St. Peter's Church, New Kent	1	25
	30—By Christ Church, Spotsylvania	4	07
	By St. John's Church, Spotsylvania	5	62
	By St. Margaret's Church, Caroline county	5	94
June	5—By Christ Church, Norwood	1	00
	6—By University of Virginia	10	00
	13—By Trinity Church, Staunton	50	00
	18—By Woman's Missionary Society, St. Paul's Church, Alexandria,	43	18
	19—By Elizabeth D. S. West, Norfolk	2	00
	27—By Rev. S. D. Tompkins	6	25
	By Monumental Church, Richmond	30	00
	28—By Merchants' Hope and St. John's churches, Prince George county	5	00
	30—By Missionary Society of Inquiry, Theological Seminary	22	00
July	4—By Grace Church, Whittle Parish	5	00
	5—By St. John's Church, Portsmouth	10	40

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	By Christ Church, Fairmount	2 50
	By Christ Church, Alexandria	16 41
10—	By Wickliffe Parish, Clarke county, Va	10 00
13—	By St. John's Church, Portsmouth	1 00
	By Amherst Parish	3 25
	By Mr. Wilcox, Brandon	5 00
	By Civis	10 00
	By St. Paul's Church, Suffolk	3 00
	By Epiphany Church, Danville	20 00
	By Trinity Church, Montgomery county	14 69
19—	By Buck Mountain Church, Albemarle	5 00
	By Christ Church Parish, Lancaster county	12 50
20—	By Trinity Church, Upperville	14 00
	By Emmanuel Church, Middleburg	6 00
	By a friend, Cumberland county, Virginia	1 00
30—	By Salem Parish, Roanoke county	5 10
	By North Farnham Parish, Richmond county	3 00
Aug. 6—	By St. Mark's Church, Richmond	10 00
	By Green Spring Parish, Louisa county	3 00
	By Walker's Parish, Albemarle county	8 75
	By Clarksburg, West Virginia	1 80
8—	By Westover Church, Charles City county	29 58
	By Ascension Church, Amherst county	7 50
	By Christ Church, Middlesex	6 55
	By St. Paul's Church, Hanover	7 00
14—	By St. John's Church, Liberty	15 00
	By Hungar's Parish, Eastville	15 00
	By Amherst Parish	2 20
	By Amherst Parish, St. Luke's children's offerings	1 65
	By Meade Memorial Church, Manchester	2 50
	By St. Paul's Church, Haymarket	5 00
	By Emmanuel Church, Piedmont Parish, Fauquier	5 00
	By Grub Hill Church, Amelia county	10 00
20—	By St. Peter's Church, New Kent	3 25
21—	By Grace Church, Charlotte Court-house	2 20
22—	By Nelson Parish	14 00
	By St. Stephen's Church, Petersburg	5 00
	By St. John's Sunday School, Rivanna Parish	2 50
	By C. E. Cosby, Columbia	2 50
Sept. 3—	By St. Mark's Church, St. Alban's, West Virginia	2 55
	By Trinity Church, Huntington, West Virginia	11 00
	By St. John's Church, Liberty	10 00
	By Calvary Church, Front Royal	6 72
	By Hicksford	3 05
	By St. Andrew's Church, Lawrenceville	6 25

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	By St. James' Church, Warrenton	20 00
	By Meade and John's churches, Middleburg	5 00
5—	By Nelson Parish	1 50
	By Lunenburg Parish	7 00
10—	By Rev. James Grammar	5 00
	By St. John's Church, Richmond	50 00
13—	By St. Paul's Church, Suffolk	2 50
13—	By St. John's Church, Chuckatuck	2 60
15—	By Immanuel Church, Hanover	2 00
	By Grace Memorial Church, Lexington	20 00
	By St. Paul's Church, Ivy Depot	5 00
	By Emmanuel Church, Greenwood	4 25
	By Trinity Church, Buchanan	5 00
	By Merchants' Hope and St. John's churches, Prince George county	5 00
	By St. John's Church, Liberty	10 00
	By St. David's Church, King William county	2 00
	By Antrim Parish, Halifax county	10 00
	By Grace Church, Berryville	7 00
	By St. Luke's Church, Norfolk	25 00
	By St. Luke's Church, Mecklenburg	10 00
	By St. James' Church, Mecklenburg	4 00
	By a lady, Leesburg	5 00
	By Rev. John R. Lee	15 00
	By Cople Parish	15 00
25—	By Christ Church, Charlottesville	35 00
	By Bishop Whittle	25 00
26—	By St. Paul's Church, Richmond	131 86
	By St. John's Church, Kanawha	6 25
	By Thomas G. Goodwin, Fincastle	5 00
	By Grace Church, Petersburg	25 00
	By Hanover Parish, King George county	3 10
	By mite chest "G," Norfolk	6 00
	By mite chest "S," Norfolk	7 88
	By sale of flowers, Norfolk	5 00
	By Christ Church Parish, Lancaster county	6 25
	By St. Mary's Church, Caroline county	12 00
	By Epiphany Church, Danville	20 00
	By Mr. John D. Letcher	2 00
27—	By a friend, Alexandria	50 00
	By St. James' Church, Richmond	50 00
28—	By St. James' Church, Leesburg	50 00
	By St. George's Church, Fredericksburg	55 00
	By Emmanuel Church, Volcano, West Virginia	6 25
	By St. Paul's Church, Petersburg	10 00

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	By St. John's and St. Paul's churches, Essex county		12 50
	By St. John's Church, St. Ann's Parish	1 87	
	By Christ " " "	3 31	5 18
	By Howardsville, Albemarle county		2 25
	By St. John's Church, St. Ann's Parish	3 21	
	By Christ " " "	2 50	5 71
	By Blenheim		3 00
	By St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg		47 00
Octo. 2	By St. Martin's Parish, Hanover		10 00
3	By Trinity Church, Staunton		50 00
	By Ware Church, Gloucester		6 25
	By St. Andrew's Church, Mount Jackson		15 95
	By St. Thomas' Church, Middletown		16 68
	By Fairmount, West Virginia		2 50
	By Christ Church, Millwood		14 50
	By Emmannel Church, Hanover Parish, King George county		4 81
	By Christ Church, Gordonsville		15 00
	By Zion Church, Charlestown		54 53
	By Churches in Truro Parish, Fairfax county		15 00
4	By Grace Church, Whittle Parish		25 00
8	By Monumental Church, Richmond		20 00
10	By Union, Monroe county, West Virginia		4 00
16	By Rev. James Grammar		7 50
22	By Leighton Parish, Cumberland county		14 30
25	By Manikin Church, Powhatan		13 02
	By Montross Parish, Westmoreland county		5 50
	By St. Paul's Chapel, Berkeley county		7 00
	By Martin's Parish, Brandon		5 00
	By Grace Church, Emmanuel Parish, Fauquier		20 00
	By Meade Memorial, Manchester		2 50
	By Grace Church, Albemarle		6 10
	By Grace Church, Alexandria		9 32
	By Christ Church, Point Pleasant		2 50
Novr. 6	By Lunenburg Parish, Richmond county		8 00
	By South Farnham Parish, Essex county		9 12
	By St. Mark's Church, Richmond		5 00
	By Grace Church, Caroline county		4 60
	By St. Peter's Church, Caroline county		4 36
	By St. Thomas' Church, Orange Court-house		11 00
26	By Emmanuel Church, Hanover		8 00
28	By Vawters Church, Essex county		10 45
	By St. Matthew's Church, Essex county		3 55
	By St. John's Church, Halifax county		25 00
	By St. Margaret's Church, Caroline		2 00
	By St. John's Church, Spotsylvania		2 00

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	By Christ Church, Spotsylvania	3 00
	By Mrs. M. S. Robinson, Washington	5 00
	By St. Philip's Church, Richmond	25
	By St. John's Church, Liberty	10 00
	By a member of Monumental Church, Richmond	10 00
	By Littleton, Sussex county	3 14
	By St. James Parish, Accomac	7 00
	By Bromfield Parish, Rappahannock	10 00
	By Emmanuel Church, Powhatan	25 00
	By St. Luke's Church, Powhatan	37 00
1878		
Jan'y 5	—By Dr. Charles K. Anderson, Nelson county	1 00
	By Rev. E. Withers	1 00
13	—By St. Peter's Church, New Kent	2 50
	By St. Paul's Church, Petersburg	10 00
	By Miss A. S., St. James' Church, Richmond	5 00
	By Christ Church, Norfolk, Sunday School offering	50 00
	By Grace Church, Petersburg	25 00
	By Overwharton Parish, Stafford	5 00
	By Leeds Church, Fauquier	10 75
	By Farnham Church, Farnham Parish	9 00
	By Grace Memorial Church, Lexington	20 00
	By Hungar's Parish, Eastville	10 00
	By Salem Church, Roanoke county,	5 33
14	—By Trinity Church, Staunton	50 00
19	—By St. Paul's Church, Norfolk	46 01
	By St. James' Church, Richmond	75 00
	By Fork Union Church, Rivanna Parish	10 41
28	—By Union, Monroe county, West Virginia	4 00
	By Rev. J. B. Craighill, Suffolk	3 00
	By Rev. James Grammar	6 00
	By Wickliffe Church, Clarke county	2 72
	By St. Paul's Church, King George county	10 00
	By Christ Church, Middleburg	5 00
	By Theological Seminary, Fairfax county	50 00
	By St. James' Church, Montross Parish	5 00
	By Merchant's Hope and St. John's Churches, Prince George county	5 00
	By St. John's Church, Charleston, West Virginia	6 25
	By Abingdon mite box, Gloucester county	3 35
	By Emmanuel Church, Harrisonburg	5 00
	By Zion Church, Hedgesville	10 00
	By Little Ann and Daniel's Christmas offering	50
	By Sal's Church money	25
	By Grace Church Richmond	20 83

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By Woman's Missionary Society, St. Paul's Church, Alexandria,	33 88
By Leeds Church, Fauquier county	7 80
By Little Nat, mite box	10 38
By St. Stephen's Church, Culpeper	50 00
By Christ Church, Lancaster county	6 25
By Trinity Church, Fredericksburg	16 38
By Buck Mountain, Albemarle	5 00
By St. Mark's Church, Fincastle	5 00
By Christ Church, Mathews county	6 66
By Trinity Church, Mathews county	3 34
By St. Paul's Chapel, Berkeley, Norfolk county	4 00
By Trinity Church, Portsmouth	30 00
By St. Andrew's Church, Lawrenceville	9 25
By St. James' Church, Accomac	5 60
By Mrs. C. H. Page, Cobham	2 00
By Christ Church, Winchester	20 00
By Ware Church, Gloucester county	6 25
By Grace Church, Caroline county	1 74
By Grace Church, Alexandria	5 07
By Mrs. Sprigg	4 93
By Ca Ira	2 30
By Curdsville	3 70
By Appomattox, St. Paul's Church	5 00
By Blacksburg	13 64
By Central Depot	4 61
By Glade Spring	4 00
By Campbell Court-house	4 75
By Grace Church, Cornwall Parish	6 08
By Christ Church Sunday School, Alexandria	65 00
By St. Paul's Church, Richmond	36 63
By Christ Church, Albemarle county	2 32
By St. John,s Church, Albemarle county	2 41
By Howardsville, Albemarle county	2 48
By Emmanuel Church, Henrico	97 51
By St. Paul's Church, Hanover	5 00
By Mrs. Mary M. Irving, Farmville	2 00
By Grub Hill, Amelia county	10 00
By Bishop Whittle	11 00
By Grace Church, Caroline county	7 00
By Mite chest "G" Norfolk	4 87
By Mite chest "S" Norfolk	5 13
By "S," Christ Church, Norfolk	5 00
By Volcano, West Virginia	6 25
By Meade Memorial Church, Manchester	2 50
By Christ Church, Lancaster county	4 50

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	By Emma Chase, mite box	50
	By mite box, Capt. G. T. Gibbs' family, Lexington	2 00
	By Christ Church, Point Pleasant	2 50
	By Kinkle Working Society, Lynchburg	15 00
	By St. John's Church, Columbia	3 00
	By Dr. J. B. Newman, Fort Shaw, Montana	20 00
	By Calvary Church, Front Royal	8 08
	By St. Mark's Church, Richmond	18 36
	By Miss Betty Harris	50
	By Monumental Church, Richmond	45 00
	By Christ Church, Norfolk	50 00
	By Trinity Church, Staunton	50 00
Feb'y 1—	By Rev. L. R. Mason, Mossingford	3 57
	By Jerusalem, Southampton county	10 00
	By Christ Church, Eastville	18 00
	By Hungary Church, Northampton county	7 00
	By Emmanuel Church, Middlesex	12 74
	By St. John's Church, Lunenburg Parish	5 00
	By a well wishing friend, Wheeling	5 00
	By St. Thomas' Church, Goochland	3 35
	By Mrs. M. S. Hankins, Burnt Ordinary	2 00
	By two friends of the cause	3 00
	By missionary box of little Southall	1 00
	By Trinity Church, Martinsburg	5 00
	By George W. Bruce, Moundsville	1 10
	By Mrs. A. M. Bolton, Charlottesville	5 00
	By Christ Church, Richmond	10 00
18—	By St. George's Church, Fredericksburg	21 28
	By a member of Christ Church, Middlesex	5 00
	By St. David's Church, King William county	3 00
	By Hanover Parish, King George county	11 28
	By Miss F. B. Worsham	2 00
19—	By St. John's Church, Richmond	75 00
	By St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg	200 09
	By Cople Parish	10 00
March 1—	By St. Paul's Church, Alexandria	87 00
7—	By St. Paul's Church, Richmond, mite chest of two little girls continued for their departed brother	4 85
12—	By Emmanuel Church, Culpeper	20 00
19—	By Leighton Parish, Cumberland county	5 61
	By Christ Church, Alexandria	27 28
25—	By St. Martin's Parish, Hanover	10 00
27—	By young ladies missionary box, Christ Church, Alexandria	20 00
30—	By Kentucky	3 00
April 1—	By Woodville Parish, Botetourt county	15 00

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	By Hicksford	4 55
	By Meade Memorial and Christ Churches, Clarksburg	21 00
	By Mrs. Sprigg	10 00
	By Christ Church, Winchester	21 25
	By Grace Church, Walker's Parish	13 30
	By Emmanuel Church, Harrisonburg	3 00
	By St. Luke's Church, Norfolk	25 00
	By a member of Christ Church, Alexandria	25 00
	By Woman's Missionary Society, St. Paul's Church, Alexandria	22 85
11	—By St. James' Church, Richmond	75 00
15	—By Madison Court-house	5 40
	By Amherst Courthouse	6 60
	By Salem, Roanoke county	8 25
	By Big Lick, Roanoke county	8 25
	By Rev. L. J. Sothoron	2 50
	By St. Mark's Church, Richmond	17 31
	By Manikin Church, Powhatan and Trinity Church, Chesterfield county	25 00
	By St. Paul's Church, Richmond, Lent mite boxes	31 76
	By quarterly payment to West Virginia, refunded by Domestic Missionary Society, by agreement	25 00
25	—By Christ Church, Charlottesville	104 00
	By Grace Church, Whittle Parish	31 02
	By Trinity Church, Whittle Parish	9 40
	By White Chapel, Whittle Parish	5 16
26	—By St. Peter's Church, New Kent	3 52
	By Bishop Whittle	10 00
27	—By St. John's Church, Boydton	8 24
	By St. Luke's Church, Mecklenburg	11 28
	By Miss Nannie Saunders, Mecklenburg	25
	By St. Thomas' Church, Orange Courthouse	14 00
	By St. John's Church, St. Ann's Parish	2 00
30	—By St. Paul's Church, Alexandria	56 00
	By Christ Church Sunday School, Norfolk	37 00
May 1	—By Easter offerings, Emmanuel Church, Chatham	6 00
	By Church of the Good Shepherd, Campbell county	7 27
	By Castle Craig, Campbell county	2 64
	By St. Martin's Parish, Hanover	20 00
	By Grace Church, Alexandria	9 44
	By Miss S. L. T., St. James' Church, Richmond	5 00
	By M. W. B., St. James' Church, Richmond	1 00
	By St. Paul's Church, Petersburg	5 00
	By Grace Memorial Church, Lexington	20 00
	By Grace Church, Caroline county	3 82
	By St. Peter's Church, Caroline county	5 86

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	By St. John's and St. Paul's Churches, South Farnham Parish, Essex county	25 00
	By St. Margaret's Church, Caroline county	3 35
	By St. Peter's Church, Washington Parish, Westmoreland county, Easter offering	10 00
	By St. David's Church, King William	1 00
	By Amherst Parish	5 00
	By St. James' Church, Accomac	9 30
	By Grace Church, Petersburg	25 00
	By Merchant's Hope and St. John's Churches, Prince George county	5 00
3	—By Easter offerings St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, contents of Lent mite boxes	70 60
	By Trinity Church, Staunton	50 00
	By St. James' Church, Leesburg	21 00
	By Leighton Parish, Cumberland county	3 48
	By Julia and Willie, mite box, St. Paul's Church, Hanover	20 00
	By Rivanna Parish, Fluvanna county	6 43
		$5,923 43

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1877.			
May	18	—To Rev. L. J. Sothoron	$50 00
		To Rev. R. H. Mason	10 00
	20	—To cost of seal for society	5 00
	9	—To Rev. J. W. Keeble	50 00
	11	—To Rev. C. C. Randolph	25 00
	14	—To Rev. W. Strother Jones	50 00
June	4	—To Rev. Alex. Overby	37 50
	8	—To Rev. G. A. Gibbons	50 00
	13	—To Rev. W. N. Ward	50 00
		To Rev. F. M. Baker	100 00
	14	—To Rev. A. B. Tizzard	50 00
	10	—To Rev. A. Y. Hundley	50 00
	22	—To Rev. J. M. Meredith	50 00
	28	—To Rev. R. H. Mason	15 00
		To Rev. John J. Lloyd	50 00
	30	—To Rev. W. Strother Jones	50 00
July	2	—To Rev. Chas. Morris	50 00
		To Rev. W. B. Gordon	25 00
	3	—To Rev. S. D. Tompkins	50 00
		To Rev. J. P. Lawrence	37 50
		To Messrs. Clemmitt & Jones, bill for circulars	9 36
	6	—To Rev. Alex. Overby	37 50
		To Rev. H. L. Derby	50 00

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	9—To Rev. D. C. T. Davis	37 50
	10—To Rev. P. F. Berkeley	50 00
	11—To Rev. Jas. B. Craighill	50 00
	To Rev. H. S. Kepler	37 50
	16—To Rev. J. H. Hundley	37 50
	To Rev. R. D. Roller	50 00
	26—To Rev. A. B. Tizzard	25 00
Aug.	3—To Rev. J. J. Sams	75 00
	4—To Rev. R. H. Mason	25 00
	To Woodhouse & Parham's bill, Mission Prayer Books	10 50
	28—To stationery purchased by secretary	3 50
	6—To Rev. Giles B. Cook	50 00
	8—To Rev. R. S. Barrett	50 00
	23—To Rev. L. R. Mason	75 00
Sept.	7—To Rev. J. M. Meredith	50 00
	To expenses of J. Johns, attorney to Baltimore in Macfarland suit	15 00
	To Rev. Robb White	50 00
	28—To Rev. J. P. Lawrence	37 50
	To Rev. Thos. E. Locke	50 00
	To Rev. A. B. Tizzard	25 00
Oct.	1—To Rev. H. S. Kepler	37 50
	2—To Rev. S. D. Tompkins	50 00
	To Rev. John J. Lloyd	50 00
	To Rev. W. B. Gordon	25 00
	To Rev. R. D. Roller	50 00
	3—To Rev. Chas. Morris	50 00
	To Rev. W. S. Jones	50 00
	To Rev. Robb White	50 00
	To Rev. F. M. Baker, secretary	50 00
	To Woodhouse & Parham's bill for Mission Prayer Books	22 50
	4—To Rev. J. B. Craighill	50 00
	5—To Rev. D. C. T. Davis	37 50
	11—To Rev. P. F. Berkeley	50 00
	13—To Rev. L. J. Sothoron	50 00
	18—To Rev. Alex. Overby	37 50
	19—To Rev. H. L. Derby	50 00
	To expenses of Rev. T. G. Dashiell to Westmoreland	10 00
	26—To Rev. J. H. Hundley	37 50
	31—To Rev. A. Y. Hundley	50 00
	To Rev. Giles B. Cook	50 00
Nov.	2—To Rev. G. A. Gibbons	50 00
	To Rev. R. S. Barrett	50 00
	To Rev. J. M. Meredith	50 00
	5—To Rev. J. J. Sams	75 00

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	23—To Rev. J. J. Gravatt	150 00
Dec.	13—To Rev. F. M. Baker, secretary	25 00
	To Rev. W. N. Ward	100 00
	24—To T. L. D. Walford's bill for Mission Prayer Books, &c	8 75
	24—To Rev. R. H. Mason	25 00
	26—To Rev. J. P. Lawrence	37 50
	To costs of protest of check returned, bank suspended	2 33
	29—To Rev. Robb White	50 00
	To Rev. James B. Craighill	50 00
	31—To Rev. H. L. Derby	50 00
1878.		
Jan.	3—To Rev. R. D. Roller	50 00
	4—To Rev. W. S. Jones	50 00
	5—To Rev. John J. Lloyd	50 00
	To Rev. P. F. Berkeley	50 00
	To Woodhouse & Parham's bill	14 25
	15—To Rev. Thos. E. Locke	25 00
	16—To Rev. D. C. T. Davis	37 50
	21—To Rev. S. D. Tompkins	50 00
	23—To Rev. D. M. Wharton	25 00
	To Rev. H. S. Kepler	50 00
	26—To Rev. W. B. Gordon	25 00
	31—To Rev. Alex. Overby	31 25
Feb.	2—To Rev. G. B. Cooke	50 00
	To Rev. R. S. Barrett	50 00
	5—To Rev. L. J. Sothoron	50 00
	To Rev. F. M. Baker, secretary	100 00
	To Rev. J. M. Meredith	50 00
	12—To Rev. W. N. Ward	50 00
	14—To Rev. J. J. Sams	12 50
	16—To Rev. A. Y. Hundley	50 00
	18—To postals and stationery, Rev. F. M. Baker, secretary	3 60
	22—To expenses of Rev. J. B. Newton to Lynchburg	9 75
	To Rev. E. B. McGuire	75 00
	25—To Rev. J. Hervey Hundley	37 50
	To expenses of John Johns, attorney in Macfarland suit to Annapolis	30 00
March	4—To Rev. L. R. Mason	137 50
	5—To Rev. T. G. Dashiell's account in payment for books sent Mrs. Buford	4 36
	8—To Rev. L. J. Sothoron	31 25
	To Rev. H. L. Derby	25 00
	To Rev. L. R. Mason	25 00
	To Rev. G. B. Cooke	50 00
	27—To Rev. J. P. Lawrence	37 50

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	To Rev. W. B. Gordon	25 00
April	2—To Rev. H. S. Kepler	62 50
	3—To Rev. Jas. B. Craighill	50 00
	4—To Rev. D. C. T. Davis	37 50
	6—To Rev. John J. Lloyd	50 00
	8—To Rev. W. Strother Jones	50 00
	10—To Rev. Robb White	50 00
	To Rev. P. F. Berkeley	50 00
	16—To Rev. L. J. Sothoron	81 25
	17—To Rev. A. B. Tizzard	25 00
	18—To Rev. Alex. Overby	31 25
	23—To Rev. H. L. Derby	75 00
	To Rev. Thos. E. Locke	25 00
	27—To Rev. A. Y. Hundley	50 00
	To Rev. L. R. Mason	50 00
	30—To Rev. Giles B. Cooke	50 00
May	1—To Rev. R. D. Roller	41 66
	2—To Rev. R. S. Barrett	50 00
	To Rev. A. B. Tizzard	25 00
	8—To Woodhouse & Parham's bill for Hoff's Manual	14 21
	Balance at credit of society	356 16
		$5,923 43

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J. L. WILLIAMS, *Treasurer.*

Richmond, May 10, 1878.

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Treasurer's Account.

ASSETS OF THE SOCIETY

For the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese of Virginia, May 13th, 1878.

	Cash in the hands of the Treasurer this day.....		1,259 70
	Bonds of the James River & Kanawha Company...	1,046 66	
	Bonds of the Richmond & Danville Railroad Co...	5,000 00	
	Bonds of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Co.....	3,000 00	
	Bonds of the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio Railroad Company	120 00	
	Bonds of the City of Richmond	6,980 00	
	Virginia Consols.....	7,000 00	
	Suspended interest, Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, from January, '75, to January, '78.....	540 00	
	Suspended interest of Atlantic, Mississippi & Ohio Railroad, from July, '75, to January, '78.....	24 00	
	Suspended interest of James River and Kanawha Company, from Nov, 1, '76, to May 1, '78.....	90 00	
			23,800 66
1878 May 13—	Total Assets this day.....		$25,060 36
	Total Assets May 12, 1877.....	24,263 06	
	Apparent gain in 1877.....	797 30	
		$25,060 36	

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Treasurer's Account.

The Society for the Benefit of the Widows and

In account with

1877				
June 5—	To cash paid appropriations as follows, viz:			
		Voucher No.		
	Mrs. M. C. S. Lee	1	$ 60 00	
	Mrs. J. P. McGuire	2	125 00	
	Mrs. E. C. McGuire	3	175 00	
	Mrs. W. H. Pendleton	4	100 00	
	Mrs. Charles Ambler	5	100 00	
	Mrs. William Hoxton	6	100 00	
	Mrs. W. C. Meredith	7	200 00	
	Mr. A. M. Smith, for the children of Rev. W. C. Meredith	8	100 00	
	Mr. Andrew C. Fisher, adm'r of Mrs. Andrew Fisher, deceased	9	150 00	
	Miss Eliza Thompson, for the children of Rev. Jno. Cole, deceased	10	175 00	
	Mrs. F. H. McGuire	11	75 00	
Nov'r 7—	To cash paid R. H. Maury & Co. for $1,500 Virginia Consols, bought after consultation with Messrs. Bacon and Stewart	12	930 00	
				2,290 00
1878				
May 13—	Balance due the Society this day			1,259 70
				$3,549 70

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Treasurer's Account.

Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese of Virginia.

P. H. MAYO, *Treasurer.*

1877			
May 12—By cash balance due the Society this day			$1,312 00
22—By cash of Rev. James Grammar	10 00		
June 7—By cash of C. M. Figgat, treasurer of Grace Church, Lexington, Va	37 00		
By cash of a member of St. James' Church, Richmond,	1 00		
Aug. 1—By cash for six months' interest on Richmond City Bonds, to July 1, 1877	236 40		
13—By cash for Richmond City Bond, matured July 1, '77,	900 00		
27—By cash of Rev. W. H. Meade, Contribution of Zion Church, Charlestown, W. Va	36 00		
Sept. 1—By cash of Mrs. J. C. James, Goochland, Va	1 00		
Nov. 15—By cash of T. W. McCance, treasurer of St. Paul's Church, Richmond	55 15		
Dec'r 5—By cash of Rev. H. Melville Jackson of Grace Church, Richmond	26 26		
By cash of St. John's Church, Richmond	20 00		
By cash of proceeds of $165 Virginia Consol Coupons,	136 13		
26—By cash of Wm. F. Gray, contribution of St. James' Church, Richmond	30 30		
By cash for six month's interest on Richmond & Dan-			
1878 ville Railroad bonds, to Nov. 1, 1877	150 00		
an'y 2—By cash of Rev. C. J. Gibson, D, D., contribution of Grace Church, Petersburg	22 52		
April 26—By cash of Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle	20 00		
By cash of Rev. B. E. Habersham, contribution of St. Paul's Church, Hanover	5 50		
By cash for six months' interest on Richmond City Bonds to January 1, 1878	209 40		
By cash for Coupons from Virginia Consols sold	89 64		
May 3—By cash for six months interest on Richmond & Danville Railroad Bonds to May 1, 1878	150 00		
By cash of W. H. Powers, treasurer, contribution of Monumental Church, Richmond	30 00		
By cash for Coupons from Virginia Consols sold	71 40		
		2,237 70	
		$3,549 70	
May 13—By balance due the Society this day			$1,259 70

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Richmond, Va., May 15, 1878.

P. H. MAYO, *Treasurer.*

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Treasurer's Account.

THE CONTINGENT FUND *of the Diocese of Virginia*.

1877.			
May	9—To cash paid J. E. Beasley, for paving in front of new Episcopal residence		$21 05
	18—To cash paid Rev. Thomas Spencer, for services as assistant secretary		30 00
	To cash paid sexton of Trinity Church, Staunton		15 00
	To cash paid C. F. Lee, Esq., expenses in attending a meeting on division at Richmond		13 75
	22—To cash paid Rev. G. H. Norton for same		14 00
	To cash paid Baughman for blank book for secretary		2 75
	To cash paid for stamped check book for treasurer		3 00
	To cash paid first payment for new Episcopal residence		2,536 00
	To cash paid treasurer's expenses at Council		19 25
	24—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, salary as examining chaplain		100 00
	To cash paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, secretary, salary to 1st August		100 00
	To cash paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, secretary, for postages, &c.,		10 55
	25—To cash paid second payment for new Episcopal residence		2,517 50
	28—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Hanckel, salary as examining chaplain,		100 00
	To cash paid Rev. R. T. Davis for same		100 00
	To cash paid C. M. Blackford, Esq., expenses attending division committee		14 25
	30—To cash paid A. T. Vaughan, for painting new Episcopal residence		138 36
	31—To cash paid Bishop Whittle, salary to 1st August	$875 00	
	Traveling expenses	125 00	1,000 00
June	1—To cash paid A. Arsell, for plumbing, &c., at new Episcopal residence		74 90
	2—To cash paid Rev. J. J. Norwood, by order of Bishop Whittle, for mission work, as per resolution of Council		50 00
	To cash paid West, Johnson & Co. for blank book, &c		5 25
	6—To cash paid Merchants & Mechanics Insurance Company, insurance on Episcopal residence to April 12th, 1878		37 50
	16—To cash paid Bishop Whittle for Evangelist fund	500 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Whittle for fund placed by Council at his disposal	500 00	1,000 00
	To cash paid Clemmitt & Jones, on account printing Journal		500 00
	18—To cash paid for gas fixtures bought of Col. Beal for Episcopal residence		38 75
	Amount carried forward		$8,441 86

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Treasurer's Account.

in account with H. E. C. BASKERVILL, *Treasurer.*

1877.				
May 4—	By balance on hand as per account rendered to the Council, and published in the Journal of 1877			5,272 70
	By receipts prior to publication of Journal, and published in detail there			10,290 60
	By receipts subsequent to publication of Journal, viz:			
June 22—	Hanover Parish, King George county		3 00	
25—	St. John's Church, Hampton		10 50	
July 7—	Mrs. H. Leach and husband, Sherando Post Office, Augusta county		2 00	
	Salem Parish, Roanoke county		10 00	
10—	Harrisonburg, Va., through Rev. Dr. Barr		1 00	
	Powhatan, Genito, Grace		2 00	
13—	Leighton Parish, Cumberland county		1 00	
19—	Lynchburg, through Rev. J. J. Norwood		8 00	
28—	Dr. and Mrs. Palmore, Cumberland county		2 00	
Oct. 11—	St. Paul's Chapel, Berkeley, Norfolk county, through Rev. F. M. Baker		3 00	
Nov. 24—	Cumberland, Leighton, St. James', through Col. R. Harrison		3 00	
1878.				
Jan. 15—	St. Paul's, Hanover	3 00		
	Emmanuel, Hanover, through Rev. Mr. Habersham	1 00	4 00	
Feb. 10—	St. John's, Lunenburg, Richmond county, through Rev. B. D. Tucker		18 00	
Ma'h 29—	Grace Church, Charlotte county, through Bishop Whittle		2 00	
				69 50
	By interest on deposits to 1st July, 1877		72 62	
	By interest on deposits to 1st January, 1878		179 87	
	By interest on deposits to 1st May, 1878		42 30	
				294 79
	Amount carried forward			15,927 59

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	Amount brought farward		$8,441 86
28—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, expenses as examining chaplain			16 50
To cash paid Rev. Dr. Hanckel, expenses as examining chaplain			10 50
30—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, additional expenses as examining chaplain			6 25
July 11—To cash paid Clemmitt & Jones, on account printing and mailing Journal			100 00
Aug. 4—To cash paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, Secretary, salary to 31st October			100 00
Sept. 13—To cash paid Bishop Whittle, salary to 21st Oct	875 00		
" " " traveling expenses	125 00		1,000 00
To cash paid Randolph & English, for bound Journal from ——— for Secretary			5 00
Oct. 5—To cash paid Rev. C. Gibson, on account expenses to General Convention			40 00
18—To cash paid Hon. W. Sheffey's draft favor N. Matthews, treasurer General Convention, being our quota for expenses thereof			435 75
24—To cash paid Rev. R. H. Norton, expenses to General Convention			48 00
27—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, expenses to General Convention			68 33
30—To cash paid Rev. C. J. Gibson, balance expenses to General Convention			8 00
Nov. 5—To cash paid Bishop Whittle on account salary			100 00
6—To cash paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, secretary, salary to February 1st, proximo	100 00		
Postages	5 00		105 00
14—To cash paid Col. W. H. Taylor, expenses to General Convention			60 00
To cash paid Rev. J. S. Hanckel expenses to General Convention	57 75		
Expenses as examining chaplain	13 00		70 75
23—To cash paid Judge H. W. Sheffey's expenses to General Convention			114 00
Dec. 1.—To cash paid Bishop Whittle, balance salary to 1st February, proximo	775 00		
Traveling expenses	50 00		825 00
To cash paid Bishop Whittle on account order of Council for indigent ministers			500 00
5—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Minnigerode additional expenses to General Convention			12 75
Amount carried forward			$12,067 69

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Amount brought forward.....	15,927 59

Amount carried forward.....	15,927 59

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	Amount brought forward	$12,067 69
	7—To cash paid Judge Richard Parker, expenses to General Convention	67 75
1878.		
Jan'y 14—	To cash paid to Judge G. W. Thompson, expenses to General Convention	50 00
1877.		
Dec. 31—	To cash paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, secretary, salary to 1st May, proximo	100 00
1878.		
Feb. 7—	To cash paid Bishop Whittle, salary to May 1st proximo, $875 00	
	To cash paid on account of traveling expenses 50 00	
	To cash paid for account Evangelist Fund 100 00	1,025 00
	13—To cash paid city taxes for 1877 on Episcopal residence	183 12
	19—To cash paid State taxes as follows, viz:	
	$60 coupons at 69 41 40	
	Cash 1 09	42 49
March 4—	To cash paid Rev. Dr. Hanckel's expenses, as examining chaplain to Richmond	5 50
	To cash paid Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, expenses as examining chaplain to Alexandria	16 05
	6—To cash paid Rev. Dr. Hanckel for expenses as examining chaplain to Alexandria	11 50
	To cash paid Rev. R. H. Suter, expenses as examining chaplain to Alexandria	14 20
	27—To cash remitted L. W. Willis, treasurer, General Convention, additional assessment of $1 each on one hundred and forty-five clergymen	145 00
April 17—	To cash paid on Episcopal residence, difference between payment on old residence and payment on new	10 62
	18—To cash paid Merchants and Mechanics Insurance Company, renewal premium on Episcopal residence to 13th April, 1879,	37 50
	20—To cash returned Mr. G. A. Barksdale, amount paid C. A. Beasley for hauling at Episcopal residence	10 30
	23—To cash paid Bishop Whittle, traveling expenses	75 00
	23—To cash paid Bishop Whittle, balance of fund for employing evangelists	1,350 00
	To cash paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, secretary, for contingencies,	6 00
	To cash—balance on hand carried to new account	709 87
		$15,927 59

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Amount brought forward..... 15,927 59

15,927 59

May 1—By balance on hand deposited in State Bank of Virginia..... $709 87

H. E. C. BASKERVILL, *Treasurer.*

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RECEIPTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR 1878.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	1878—Amount paid.	1878—Delinquency.	1877—Arrears due.	1878—Total now due.
Albemarle	Fredericksville	Buck Mountain	23	$ 3 00	$20 00	$ 6 00	$26 00
"	"	St. Paul's	37	32 75	4 25	4 75	9 00
"	"	Christ, Charlottesville	218	231 00			
"	St. Anne's	Christ and St. John's	49	20 00	29 00	25 00	54 00
"	Walker's	Grace	42	42 00			
"	Fredericksville	Emmanuel, Greenwood	24	23 00	1 00	3 00	4 00
Amelia	Raleigh	Grub Hill	.....	34 00	.....	24 00	24 00
Amherst	Lexington	St. Luke's, New Glasgow }	107	75 00	32 00	.....	32 00
"	"	Ascension }					
"	Amherst	Amherst	30	20 00	10 00	.....	10 00
"	"	Bethel	20	18 00	2 00	.....	2 00
Augusta	Augusta	Trinity, Staunton	313	313 00			
Alexandria	Fairfax	Christ, Alexandria	240	240 00			
"	"	St. Paul's, Alexandria	232	232 00			
"	"	Grace	121	83 00	38 00	.....	38 00
Bedford	Russell	Trinity	.....	20 00			
"	West Russell	St. Thomas'	33	17 00	16 00	9 00	25 00
"	Heber	St. John's, Liberty	117	92 00	25 00	17 00	42 00
"	Hamner	St. Stephen's	41	41 00			
"	Lee	St. Mark's	24	9 00	15 00	8 00	23 00
Botetourt	Botetourt	St. Mark's	26	26 00			
"	Woodville	Trinity, Buchanan	27	13 00	14 00	.....	14 00
Brunswick	St. Andrew's	St. Andrew's	.....	38 00	.....	38 00	38 00
"	"	Trinity	.....	12 00			
Buckingham	Tillotson	Emmanuel and Grace }	18	{ 11 50	} 4 50	4 00	8 50
"	"	Mr. and Mrs. J. Halsey }		{ 2 00			

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Receipts of Treasurer for 1878.

Campbell	Lynchburg	St. Paul's, Lynchburg	351	238 00	113 00		113 00
"	"	Grace Memorial		54 50		102 00	102 00
"	Moore	Good Shepherd & Castle Craig	40	38 00	2 00		2 00
Caroline	St. Margaret's	St. Margaret's		6 00			
"	St. Mary's	St. Peter's, Port Royal	43	41 00	2 00		2 00
"	"	Grace	43	35 00	8 00	5 00	13 00
Charles City	Westover	Mapsico and Westover	70	42 00	28 00		28 00
Charlotte	Cornwall	Roanoke	25	17 00	8 00	15 00	23 00
Chesterfield	Dale	Trinity		13 00		12 00	12 00
Clarke	Frederick	Christ, Millwood	63	57 00	6 00	13 50	19 50
"	Clarke	Grace, Berryville	154	100 25	53 75		53 75
"	Wickliffe	Wickliffe	32	25 00	7 00		7 00
"	Greenway	White Post		16 00		9 00	
"	"	Meade Memorial		5 00			
Culpeper	St. Mark's	St. Stephen's	134	90 00	44 00		44 00
"	Ridley	Christ	46	29 00	17 00		17 00
"	"	St. Paul's	27	27 00			
"	"	Emmanuel	30	30 00			
Cumberland	Leighton	St. James'	22	15 00	7 00		7 00
Elizabeth City	Elizabeth City	St. John's, Hampton	82	46 00	36 00	44 00	80 00
Essex	St. Anne's	Vauter's				11 50	11 50
"	South Farnham	St. Paul's	89	82 00	7 00		7 00
"	"	St. John's					
Fairfax	Truro	Zion		58 00			
"	Truro	Christ		6 00			
"	Truro	St. Timothy's Mission		25 33			
"	Fairfax	Falls	21	16 00	5 00		5 00
"	Mission	Centreville and Clifton	37	18 00	19 00		19 00
"	"	Brentsville and Manassas	20	13 00	7 00		7 00
Fauquier	Hamilton	St. James', Warrenton	157	157 00			
"	Leed's	Leeds	59	59 00			
"	Meade	Trinity		20 00			
"	Emmanuel	Grace	34	34 00		11 00	11 00
"	"	Emmanuel	18	18 00			
"	Whittle	Grace and Trinity	109	85 00	24 00	16 00	40 00
Fluvanna	Rivanna	St. John's and Fork	52	27 00	25 00		25 00

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Receipts of Treasurer for 1878.

RECEIPTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR 1878.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	1878—Amount paid.	1878—Delinquency.	1877—Arrears due.	1878—Total now due.
Franklin	Franklin	Trinity	43	$ 43 00	$	$	$
Frederick	Frederick	Christ, Winchester	230	167 00	63 00		63 00
"	"	St. Thomas, Middletown	26	26 00			
Gloucester	Abingdon	Abingdon		28 00		7 00	7 00
"	Ware	Ware	53	51 00	2 00	15 00	17 00
Goochland	St. James, Northam	St. Paul's		4 77			
"	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	11	11 00			
"	"	St. Thomas	18	13 95	4 05		4 05
"	"	Grace	36	30 28	5 72	21 00	26 72
Greenesville	Meherrin	Christ		24 00			
Halifax	Antrim	St. John's and Grace	191	126 00	65 00	32 00	97 00
"	Roanoke	Christ	29	25 00	4 00		4 00
Hanover	St. Martin's	Fork	86	86 00			
"	"	Trinity					
"	St. Paul's	Immanuel	29	22 00	7 00	10 00	17 00
"	"	St. Paul's	19	19 00		8 00	8 00
"	Ashland	St. James the Less				14 00	14 00
Henrico	Henrico, Richmond	St. John's	230	150 00	80 00		80 00
"	Richmond City	Monumental	227	227 00			
"	"	St. Paul's	489	489 00			
"	"	St. James'	430	430 00			
"	"	Christ		20 00		86 00	86 00
"	"	Grace	223	223 00			
"	"	St. Mark's	329	100 00	229 00		229 00
"	Henrico	Emmanuel	76	76 00			
Henry	Patrick	Christ	29	29 00			

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Receipts of Treasurer for 1878.

Isle of Wight	Newport	Christ	49	49 00			
James City	Bruton	——, Williamsburg	65	65 00			
King George	St. Paul's	St. Paul's	34	34 00			
"	Brunswick	Lamb's Creek	.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00
King William	St. David's	St. David's	13	13 00			
Lancaster	Christ Church	Christ	43	35 00	8 00	8 00	16 00
"	"	White Chapel					
Loudoun	John's	Emmanuel	42	42 00			
"	Shelburne	St. James', Leesburg	159	159 00			
"	"	Cotocton	39	30 00	9 00	.....	9 00
"	"	Christ	35	22 00	13 00	.....	13 00
Louisa	Green Spring	St. John's	15	13 50	1 50	16 00	17 50
Lunenburg	Cumberland	St. John's	45	17 00	28 00	8 00	36 00
"	"	St. Paul's					
Mathews	Kingston	Christ	.....	14 75	30 25	11 00	41 25
"	"	Trinity	48	3 00			
"	.....	From Rev. Wm. Munford	.....	4 00			
Mecklenburg	St. Luke's	Old Church	20	11 00	9 00	.....	9 00
"	St. James'	St. James	103	25 00	78 00	35 00	113 00
"	St. Luke's	St. Luke's	23	21 00	2 00	5 00	7 00
Montgomery	.....	Blacksburg	19	19 00			
"	.....	Central Depot	.....	14 00			
Middlesex	Christ Church	Christ	21	21 00			
Nansemond	Upper Suffolk	St. Paul's	52	39 00	13 00	12 00	25 00
"	"	Glebe					
"	Lower Suffolk	St. John's	20	14 00	6 00	4 00	10 00
Nelson	Nelson	Trinity	103	78 00	25 00	29 00	54 00
"	"	Christ					
"	"	Bethlehem					
New Kent	St. Peter's	St. Peter's	23	16 00	7 00	.....	7 00
Norfolk	Elizabeth River	Christ, Norfolk city	514	300 00	214 00	206 00	420 00
"	"	St. Paul's	280	280 00	.....	.....	
"	Portsmouth	Trinity, Portsmouth	144	100 00	44 00	.....	44 00
"	"	St. John's, Portsmouth	81	52 50	28 50	19 00	47 50
"	"	A Lady Communicant	.....	2 00	.....		
"	Norfolk	St. Luke's	148	81 25	66 75	37 00	103 75

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RECEIPTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR 1878.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	1878—Amount paid.	1878—Delinquency.	1877—Arrears due.	Total now due.
Norfolk	Berkeley	St. Paul's	.....	$ 20 00	.....	$ 19 00	$ 19 00
Petersburg	Bristol	St. Paul's	414	301 00	$113 00	.....	113 00
"	"	Grace	539	121 00	418 00	385 00	803 00
"	"	St. John's	43	31 00	12 00	.....	12 00
Pittsylvania	Camden	Epiphany	135	135 00			
"	Banister	Emanuel	38	38 00			
Powhatan	Powhatan	St. Luke's	32	32 00			
"	St. James' Southam	Immanuel	35	35 00			
"	King William	.....	.....	12 00			
Princess Anne	Lynnhaven	Chapel	89	89 00			
"	"	Emanuel					
Prince George	City Point	St. John's	21	19 00	2 00	2 00	4 00
"	Martin's Brandon	Merchant's Hope	33	24 00	9 00	11 00	20 00
"	"	Old Brandon and Southwark	57	57 00			
Prince William	Dettingen	St. James'	41	37 00	4 00	.....	4 00
"	Leeds	St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Pulaski	.....	Emmanuel	50	15 00	35 00		35 00
"	Prince Edward	St. Anne	9	9 00			
Rappahannock	Bloomfield	St. Paul's	23	16 00	7 00	12 25	19 25
"	"	Trinity	29	29 00			
Richmond	Lunenburg	St. John's	54	32 50	21 50		21 50
"	Farnham	Farnham	17	17 00			
Roanoke	Salem	St. Paul's	40	17 02	22 98	27 00	49 98
"	Big Lick	St. John's	24	24 00			
Rockbridge	Latimer	Grace, Lexington	103	103 00			
Rockingham	Rockingham	Emmanuel	119	81 00	29 00	20 00	49 00

Receipts of Treasurer for 1878.

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Receipts of Treasurer for 1878.

Spottsylvania	St. George's	St. George's, Fredericksburg	196	196 00			
"	Berkeley	Christ		10 00			
Shenandoah	Bedford	St. Andrews	33	25 00	8 00	217 75	8 00
Stafford	Overwharton	Aquia		5 00			
"	"	Chapel		10 00			
Smyth		Christ	10	17 00			
Sussex	Albemarle	St. Andrews	17	13 00			
Warren	Calvary	Front Royal				5 00	5 00
Washington	Holston	St. Thomas', Abingdon	35	27 00	8 00	10 00	18 00
"	Bristol	Bristol	15	8 00	7 00	6 00	13 00
Westmoreland	Washington	St. Peter's	50	34 00	16 00	9 00	25 00
"	Cople	Nominy and Yeocomico	49	39 00	10 00	20 50	30 50
"	Montross	St. James'		9 00			
Wythe	Wytheville			55 00		32 00	32 00
		Total collection		$8,929 85			

H. E. C. BASKERVILL, *Treasurer.*

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List of Licensed Lay Readers,

WITH THEIR POST OFFICES.

Thomas S. Beckwith, Jr., Bristol Parish, *Petersburg.*
Robert L. Brown, Nelson Parish, Nelson county, *Norwood.*
M. P. Burks, St. John's Church, Bedford county, *Liberty.*
Charles E. Cary, Ware Parish, *Gloucester C. H.*
W. T. Chase, Christ Church Parish, *Lancaster C. H.*
J. Wellford Corbyn, Lamb's Creek Church, *King George C. H.*
J. Churchill Cooke, St. David's Parish, King William county, *Aylett's.*
Charles E. Cosby, Rivanna Parish, Fluvanna county, *Columbia.*
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John S. Field, St. James' Parish, Mecklenburg county, *Boydton.*
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Randolph Harrison, Leighton Parish, Cumberland county, *Cartersville.*
John Howard, *Ashland.*
James W. Hunter, Emmanuel Chapel, *Norfolk.*
R. F. Jackson, Bristol Parish, *Petersburg.*
Henry Jacob, St. Ann's Church, Prince Edward county, *Prospect.*
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Jno. B. Lightfoot, St. Mary's Parish, Caroline county, *Port Royal.*
Wm. D. Martin, St. Luke's Church, *Norfolk.*
S. J. C. Moore, Clark Parish, Clarke county, *Berryville.*
Charles Morris, *Ashland.*
Barton Myers, Emmanuel Chapel, *Norfolk.*
Samuel B. Paul, Bristol Parish, *Petersburg.*
P. H. Powers, Wickliffe Parish, Clarke county, *Rippon, W. Va.*
Peter B. Prentis, St. Paul's Church, *Suffolk.*
B. M. Randolph, Emmanuel Church, Fauquier county, *Casanova.*
R. Taylor Scott, St. James' Church, *Warrenton.*
Wm. Simms, Roanoke Parish, Halifax county, *Clover Depot.*
W. S. Snead, Christ Church Parish, *Lancaster C. H.*
Walter H. Taylor, St. Luke's Church, *Norfolk.*
Robt. H. Tyler, Leed's Parish, *Prince William Co.*
Job Turner, at large.
John L. Williams, St. Mark's Church, *Richmond.*
Theodorick A. Williams, St. Luke's Church, *Norfolk.*
Joseph Wilmer, Emmanuel Church, Culpeper county, *Rapidan Station.*
R. E. Winn, South Farnham Parish, Essex county, *Tappahannock.*

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ACCOMAC COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' AND ST. GEORGE'S PARISHES.

Rev. W. B. GORDON, Rector.

Post Office—Onancock.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Present number, 54. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, ...	$1,450 00
Other objects, ...	22 70
Total, ...	$1,472 70

REMARKS.—I am thankful to say that the Parish has, after many years' striving, purchased a rectory. It is all paid for with the exception of $250.

ALBEMARLE COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHARLOTTESVILLE.

Rev. J. S. HANCKEL, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Charlottesville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Charlottesville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 16; aggregate, 20. Confirmations: white, 11. Communicants: White, 211; added, white, 27;

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colored, 1; total, 28; aggregate, 239; removed, 16; withdrawn, 1; died, 3; total, 20; present number, 219. Marriages: White, 5. Funerals: White, 9. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 85; total, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$500 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	765 46
Other objects, ...	35 20
Total, ...	$1,300 66

GRACE CHURCH, WALKER'S PARISH.

Rev. E. BOYDEN, Rector.

Post Office—Cobham.

Treasurer's Post Office—Keswick.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 42; colored, 1; total, 43; present number, 43. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Sunday Schools: Colored, teachers, 7; scholars, 80; total, 87.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$45 00

ST. JOHN'S AND CHRIST CHURCHES, ST. ANN'S PARISH.

Rev. THOMAS E. LOCKE, Rector.

Post Office—Glendower.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Confirmations: White, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 45; added, white, 9 (of which by transfer 2); aggregate, 56; removed, 2, withdrawn, 1; died, 2; total, 5; present number, 49. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: Colored, teachers, 4; scholars, 70; total, 74.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$300 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	25 35
Education Society,	24 14
Disabled Clergymen,	3 85
Missions to Freedmen,	4 23
Foreign and Domestic Missions,	15 46
Total,	$373 03

REMARKS.—Christ Church cemetery has recently been enclosed, the chancel arrangements have been altered and greatly improved both as to beauty and convenience. For these improvements we are indebted to several ladies of this congregation.

St. John's Church in Scottsville was consecrated by the bishop at his late visitation. A beautiful chandelier and lamp for reading desk, pulpit and vestibule, were presented to the Church just before its consecration. We could not afford stained glass, but had the panes of glass painted in four different colors, in diamond shape, with very great success.

BUCKMOUNTAIN CHURCH, FREDERICKSVILLE PARISH.

Rev. D. C. T. DAVIS, Rector.

Post Office—Greenwood Depot.

Treasurer's Post Office—Charlottesville.

Confirmations: White, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 14; added, white, 9 (of which by transfer 4); aggregate, 23; died, 1; present number, 22. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$27 75
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	18 75
Other objects,	1 00
Total,	$47 50

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TRINITY CHURCH, ST. ANNE'S PARISH.

Rev. D. C. T. DAVIS, Rector.

Post Office—Greenwood Depot.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1. Confirmations: White, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 5; added, white, 1; aggregate, 6; died, 1; present number, 5. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, $3 62

REMARKS.—I continue to officiate at Rockfish Church, Nelson county, where there are at present three communicants, one having removed since my last report. And in addition to the funerals attended in my congregations, I have officiated at two funerals near Greenwood Depot.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FREDERICKSVILLE PARISH.

Rev. JOHN A. GREAVES, Rector.

Post Office—Ivy Depot.

Treasurer's Post Office—Ivy Depot.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; Infants, white, 3; aggregate, 9. Confirmations: White, 15 (not yet communicated). Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 40; added, white, 3; (of which by transfer 2); aggregate, 43; removed, 6; present number, 37. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 2; scholars, 10; total, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:

Fence to Cemetery and Church furniture, . . $44 18

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:

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Education Society of Virginia,	$12 00	
Diocesan Missionary Society,	5 35	
Foreign Missions,	6 60	
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	7 20	
Disabled clergy	2 13	
Bishop Schereschewsky,	3 00	
		$36 28
Donation to colored school, Petersburg,		5 00
Total,		$85 46

EMMANUEL CHURCH, FREDERICKSVILLE PARISH.

Rev. JNO. A. GREAVES, Rector.

Post Office—Ivy Depot.

Treasurer's Post Office—Greenwood Depot.

Baptisms: Adults, white 3; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 4. Confirmations: White, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 24; added, white, (by transfer) 5; aggregate, 29; removed, 4; died, 1; total, 5; present number, 24. Funerals, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 2; scholars, 12; total, 14.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:

Church roofing and furniture,		$100 00

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:

Education Society,	$10 40	
Diocesan Missionary Society,	4 00	
Foreign Missions,	3 53	
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	2 35	
Disabled clergy,	85	
Bishop Schereschewsky,	3 00	
		24 13
Total,		$124 13

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ALEXANDRIA COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, FAIRFAX PARISH.

Rev. Wm. M. Dame, Rector.

Post Office—Alexandria.

Treasurer's Post Office—Alexandria.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; colored, 1; total, 2; infants, white, 46; colored, 2; total, 48; aggregate, 50. Confirmations: White, 27; colored, 1; total, 28. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 316; colored, 8; total, 324; added, white, 35 (of which by transfer 9); colored, 3; total, 38; aggregate, 362; removed, 33; withdrawn, 2; died, 4; total, 39; present number, 323. Marriages: White, 4; colored, 3; total, 7. Funerals: White, 24. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 18; scholars, 180; total, 198; colored, teachers, 16; scholars, 215; total, 231; aggregate, 429; contributions, $200. Parochial Schools: Number of paid teachers, 1; scholars, 53.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$1,640 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	1,311 41
Total, ...	$2,951 41

Remarks.—The Parish has this year suffered heavily by removals. The several societies, "Mothers' Mission," &c., in the Parish, have been steadily at work, and important improvements have been made and are making in the lecture room, church yard and enclosure. The *colored work* in this Parish is in a most gratifying condition.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FAIRFAX PARISH.

Rev. G. H. Norton, Rector.

Post Office—Alexandria.

Treasurer's Post Office—Alexandria.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 42; aggregate, 45. Confirmations: White, 24. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 232; added, white, 24 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 256; re-

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moved, 17; withdrawn, 1; died, 6; total, 24; present number, 232. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals, 17. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 21; scholars, 143: total, 164; contributions, $112.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:		
Church improvements, alms, Sunday School, &c.,		$1,132 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Education Society,	330 00	
Feeble churches,	187 00	
Disabled Clergy,	165 00	
Diocesan Missions,	363 71	
Foreign Missions,	107 00	
Contingent Fund,	232 00	
		1,384 71
Other objects:		
Alexandria Infirmary, &c.,		340 70
Total,		$2,857 41

REMARKS.—The Ladies' Sewing Society have adorned the Church with additional stained glass windows at a cost of $800. The Woman's Missionary Association have contributed largely to Mission and Parish aids. The Children's Self-denial Society is active and efficient in good works.

GRACE CHURCH, FAIRFAX PARISH.

Rev. D. F. SPRIGG, Rector.

Post Office—Alexandria.

Treasurer's Post Office—Alexandria.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 39; colored, 2; total, 41; aggregate, 45. Confirmations: White, 27. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 107; added, white, 17 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 124; removed, 2; died, 1; total, 3; present number, 121. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 17. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 20; scholars, 141; average attendance, 93; total, 161; contributions, $90.70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$201 81

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AMELIA COUNTY.

GRUB HILL CHURCH, RALEIGH PARISH.

Rev. P. F. BERKELEY, Rector.

Post Office—Chula.

Treasurer's Post Office—Amelia Court-house.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 73; removed, 6; present number, 67. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, $58 00

AMHERST COUNTY.

ST. MARK'S AND ASCENSION CHURCHES, LEXINGTON.

S. B. CHRISTIAN, Junior Warden.

Post Office—Amherst C. H.

Treasurer's Post Office—Amherst C. H.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 10; Infants, white, 8; aggregate 18. Confirmations: White, 14. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 100; added, white, 14; aggregate, 114; removed, 7; present number, 107. Marriages: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 12; scholars, 75; total 87; contributions, $20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, $24 00

REMARKS.—Since the death of the Rector, September, 1877, there have been no contributions.

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, AMHERST PARISH.

Rev. J. P. LAWRENCE, Rector.

Post Office—Pedlar Mills.

Treasurer's Post Office—Pedlar Mills.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 19; added, white, by transfer, 1; present number, 30. Funerals: White, 1 Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 4; scholars, 23; total, 27. Contributions, $1.65.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$408 67
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	16 29
Other objects,	52 50
Total,	$477 46

REMARKS.—A rectory has been added to this church, consisting of a dwelling-house and thirteen acres of land.

BETHEL CHURCH, AMHERST PARISH.

Rev. J. P. LAWRENCE, Rector.

Post Office—Pedlar Mills.

Treasurer's Post Office.—Salt Creek.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 14. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 23; removed, 2; died, 1; total, 3; present number, 20. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 3; scholars, 13; total, 16.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$18 18
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	7 94
Contingent Fund,	20 00
Total,	$46 12

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REMARKS.—The terrible freshets on the James river have almost ruined the families connected with this church, but by the help of friends outside, nearly $100 have been expended upon fitting up a room for public worship, and in which regular services are held.

AUGUSTA COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, AUGUSTA PARISH.

Rev. WALTER Q. HULLIHEN, Rector.

Post Office—Staunton.

Treasurer's Post Office—Staunton.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 25; aggregate, 31. Confirmations: White, 39; colored, 1: total, 40. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 304; colored, 3; total, 307; removed, 11; withdrawn, 1; suspended, 2; died, 6; present number, 316. Marriages: White, 8. Funerals: White, 18; colored, 1; total, 19. Sunday Schools, 3; white, teachers, 24; scholars, 135; total, 159: Trinity Mission, teachers, 6; scholars, 125; total, 131: Colored, teachers, 15; scholars, 183; total, 198. Contributions of first mentioned school, included below, $171.06.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,		$1,440 30
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Diocesan Missions,	$350 00	
General Domestic Missions,	75 00	
Foreign Missions,	368 35	
Disabled Clergy,	30 00	
Education Society,	150 00	
Brotherhood,	146 45	
Contingent Fund,	313 00	
Contribution during Council,	332 04	
		1,764 84
Regular expenses,		2,638 93
Total,		$5,844 07

REMARKS.—Confirmation has been administered in this Parish twice during the past year. Of those confirmed, eight were from the Virginia

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Female Institute, two from the Methodist Seminary, one from the Lutheran, and one from Martinsburg, W. Va.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HEBER PARISH.

Rev. HENDERSON SUTER, Rector.

Post Office—Liberty.

Treasurer's Post Office—Liberty.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 2; colored, 1; total, 3; aggregate, 7. Confirmations: White, 15. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 116; colored, 3; total, 119; added, white, 12; aggregate, 131; removed, 10; died, 1; total, 11; present number, 120. Marriages: White, 4. Funerals: White, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 9; scholars, 60; total, 69. Contributions, $22.90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, $162 99

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, WEST RUSSELL PARISH.

Rev. J. A. WHARTON, Rector.

Post Office—Liberty.

Treasurer's Post Office—Charlemont.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 5. Confirmations: White, 12. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 21; added, white, 13; colored, 13; aggregate, 34; died, 1; present number, 33. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, $200 00

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ST. MARK'S CHURCH, LEE PARISH.

Rev. J. A. WHARTON, Rector.

Post Office—Liberty.

Treasurer's Post Office—Buford's Depot.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported 23; added, by transfer, 4; aggregate, 27; died, 1; present number, 26; contributions, about $20.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, HAMNER PARISH.

Rev. ALBERT WARE, Rector.

Post Office—Forest Depot.

Treasurer's Post Office—Forest Depot.

Baptisms: Adults, colored, 1; total, 1; infants, white, 3; aggregate, 4. Confirmations: White, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 50; added, white, 2; colored, 1; aggregate, 53; removed, 8; withdrawn, 1; suspended, 1; died, 3; total, 13; present number, 40. Marriages: White, 4; colored, 1; total, 5. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$36 41
Contingent Fund, ...	40 00
Total, ...	$76 41

TRINITY CHURCH, RUSSELL PARISH.

Rev. ALBERT WARE, Rector.

Post Office—Forest Depot.

Treasurer's Post Office—Boonsboro'.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 7; infants, white, 9; aggregate, 16. Con-

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firmations: White, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 26; added, white, 11 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 37; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; total, 2; present number, 35. Marriages: White, 1. Sunday Schools. White, teachers, 6; scholars, 23; total, 29; contributions, $5.50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:

Collected for vestry room, ...	$124 22
Sewing Society, ...	20 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	23 54
Contingent Fund, ...	13 00
Total, ...	$180 76

REMARKS.—The Lord's work seems to be prospering in this Parish. The congregations are always large and attentive. Having collected the necessary funds, a vestry room, which has been talked of for many years, will be erected this summer.

BOTETOURT COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOODVILLE PARISH.

EDM'D PENDLETON, Warden.

Post Office—Buchanan.

Treasurer's Post Office—Buchanan.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Added, white, (by transfer) 1; removed, 2; died, 1; present number, 27. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$10 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$24 16
	$34 16

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ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOTETOURT PARISH.

THOS. G. GODWIN, Senior Church Warden.

Post Office—Fincastle.

Treasurer's Post Office—Fincastle.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 38; removed, 10; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; total, 12; present number, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$54 25
Other objects,	200 00
Total,	$254 25

BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ST. ANDREW'S PARISH.

Rev. ROBB WHITE, Missionary.

Post Office—Lawrenceville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Lawrenceville.

Baptisms: Adults, colored, 2; infants, white, 9; colored, 1; total, 10; aggregate, 12. Confirmations: White, 5; colored, 3; total, 8. Communicants: Formerly reported, colored, 16; added, white, 4; colored 3; total, 7; died, 1; present number, 77. Funerals: Colored, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 20; total, 25; colored, teachers, 5; scholars, 100; total, 105; contributions, $3.10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$75 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	17 50
Other objects,	110 05
(This does not include Contingent Fund.) Total,	$205 65

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TRINITY CHURCH, ST. ANDREW'S PARISH.

Rev. E. B. JONES (Deacon in charge).

Post Office—San Marino, Dinwiddie County.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Added, white, 4; died, 1; present number, 30. Marriages: White, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$15 00

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY.

EMMANUEL AND GRACE CHURCHES, TILLOTSON PARISH.

Rev. A. H. CURRIE, Rector.

Post Office—Glenmore.

Treasurer's Post Office—Mount Vinco.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 20; removed, 1; died, 1; total, 18. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$8 92
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	6 85
Total,	$15 77

CAMPBELL COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LYNCHBURG PARISH.

Rev. T. M. CARSON, Rector.

Post Office—Lynchburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Lynchburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 10; infants, white, 16; aggregate, 26.

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Parochial Reports.

Confirmations: White, 16. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 341; added, white, 33 (of which by transfer 17); aggregate, 374; removed, 18; withdrawn, 2; suspended, 1; died, 2; present number, 351. Marriages: White, 11. Funerals: White, 9. Two Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 30; scholars, 190; total, 220. Parochial Schools: Number of paid teachers, 10; scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$1,656 29
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	708 21
Other objects,	42 00
Total,	$2,406 50

GRACE MEMORIAL CHURCH, LYNCHBURG PARISH.

Rev. J. H. WILLIAMS, Rector.

Post Office—Lynchburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Lynchburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 7; infants, white, 9; total, 16. Confirmations: White, 19. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 148; colored, 1; added, white, 20 (of which by transfer 4); total, 169; removed, 12; withdrawn, 2; died, 5; total, 19; present number, 150. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 14. Two Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 27; scholars, 190; total, 214; contributions, $57.74. Parochial Sewing School: Teachers, 7; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$381 79
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	77 87
Total,	$459 66

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THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, AND CASTLE CRAIG, MOORE PARISH.

Rev. W. A. ALRICH, Rector.

Post Office—Chatham, Pittsylvania County.

Treasurer's Post Office—Evington, Campbell County.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 40; colored, 1; total, 41; present number, 41. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 4; scholars, 20; total, 24; contributions, $2.11.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$ 5 80
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	31 35
Other objects,	9 17
Total,	$46 32

CAROLINE COUNTY.

GRACE AND ST. PETER'S CHURCHES, ST. MARY'S PARISH.

Rev. JAMES E. POINDEXTER, Rector.

Post Office—Port Royal.

Treasurer's Post Office—Port Royal.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 90; colored, 1; total, 91; removed, 3; present number, 88. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 20; contributions, $8.63.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$37 45
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	51 97
Total,	$89 42

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CHARLES CITY COUNTY.

WESTOVER AND MAPSICO CHURCHES, WESTOVER PARISH.

Rev. ANDERSON WADE, Rector.

Post Office—Wyanoke Wharf.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 3; aggregate, 4. Confirmations: White, 6. Communicants, 76; added, white, 4; aggregate, 80; removed, 10; present number, 70. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 2; contributions, $100.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, CORNWALL PARISH.

L. R. MASON, Rector.

Post Office—Mossingford.

Treasurer's Post Office—Drake's Branch.

Baptisms: White, 5. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 4; total, 6. Funerals: White, 3; colored, 1; total, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, 26; removed, 1; present number, 25. Sunday Schools: White, 7; teachers, 4; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$ 9 41
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	13 23
Total, ...	$22 64

N. B.—This exclusive of Contingent Fund contributions, which amounts to $16.

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CHESTERFIELD COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, DALE PARISH.

Rev. A. B. TIZZARD, Rector.

Post Office—Winterpock.

Communicants: Formerly reported, 33; removed, 2; added, 2; present number, 33. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 2; total, 4. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 8; scholars, 51; total, 59.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$250 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	40 08
Total, ...	$290 08

MEADE MEMORIAL CHURCH, MANCHESTER PARISH.

Dr. S. L. INGRAM, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Post Office, Manchester.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 17; infants, white, 1; total, 18. Confirmations: White, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 90; added, white 4 (of which by transfer 2); aggregate, 94; died, 2; present number, 92. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 10. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 21; scholars, 211; total, 232. Contributions, $99.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms, ...	$43 56

REMARKS.—The collections were taken charge of by the rector, who left no memoranda from which a statement could be made up.

The rectorship was vacated on the 15th February last by the resignation of Rev. J. J. Sams, to accept a rectorship in Baltimore. This church is nearly free from debt—its liabilities on all accounts being under forty dollars.

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CLARKE COUNTY.

WICKLIFFE CHURCH, WICKLIFFE PARISH.

(Vacant.)

Treasurer's Post Office—Rippon, West Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1. Confirmations: White, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 31; added, white, 7 (of which by transfer 1); total, 3; aggregate, 39; removed, 6; died, 1; total, 7; present number, 32. Marriages: Colored, 1. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 30; total, 35; contributions, $24.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .		$75 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Diocesan Missions, ...	13 27	
Education Society, ...	24 72	
Disabled Clergy, ...	3 27	
Valley Convocation, ...	5 00	
Mexican Missions, ...	2 10	
Indian Missions, ...	3 63	
Foreign Missions, ...	23 50	
		75 49
Other objects, ...		35 00
		$185 49

GRACE CHURCH, CLARKE PARISH.

Rev. T. F. MARTIN, Rector.

Post Office—Berryville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Berryville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 18; aggregate, 24. Confirmations: White, 19. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 142; added, white, 33 (of which by transfer 5); aggregate, 175; removed, 15; withdrawn, 2; died, 4; total, 21; present number, 154. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 11; scholars, 70; total, 81. Contributions, $13.66.

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Parochial Reports.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:		
For painting Church,	$300 00	
Church debt,	90 00	
Communion alms,	57 64	
		447 64
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Convocation Missions,	60 52	
Education Society,	35 69	
Diocesan Missions,	36 97	
Foreign Missions,	62 05	
Disabled Clergy,	13 68	
		208 91
Contingent Fund,		100 00
Total,		$756 55

CHRIST CHURCH, CUNNINGHAM CHAPEL PARISH.

Rev. Jos. R. Jones, Rector.

Post Office—Millwood.

Treasurer's Post Office—Millwood.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 62 (of which by transfer 1); died, 1; present number, 62. Marriages: White, 7. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: Colored, teachers, 5; scholars, 60; total, 65.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:	
Foreign and Domestic Missions,	$26 40
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:	
Education Society,	34 36
Diocesan Missionary Society,	35 50
Other objects:	
Disabled Clergymen Fund,	32 86
Convocation Missions,	31 38
Ladies' Aid Society,	103 20
Total,	$237 50

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MEADE MEMORIAL CHURCH, GREENWAY COURT PARISH.

Rev. Jos. R. Jones, Rector.

Post Office—Millwood.

Treasurer's Post Office—White Post.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; infants, 2; confirmations, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, 23; added, 7; died, 1; present number, 29. Funerals, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 7; scholars, 40; total, 47.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish,	$65 00
Missions,	4 50
Total,	$69 50

CULPEPER COUNTY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, RIDLEY PARISH.

Treasurer's Post Office—Rapidan Station.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 34; added, white, 5; removed, 5; withdrawn, 1; total, 6; present number, 33. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 5; total, 7. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 25; total, 30. Contributions, $15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$150 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	225 00
Other objects,	45 00
Total,	$420 00

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CHRIST CHURCH, RIDLEY PARISH.

J. C. GRAYSON, Warden.

Treasurer's Post Office—Brandy Station.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 53; removed, 7; present number, 46.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$142 50
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	53 00
Other objects—Contingent Fund,	29 00
Total,	$224 50

REMARKS.—Report imperfect in consequence of death of rector and absence of records.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, RIDLEY PARISH.

P. P. NALLE, Warden.

Treasurer's Post Office—Raccoon Ford.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 35; removed, 6; suspended, 1; died, 1; total, 8; present number, 27. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 25; total, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$150 00

REMARKS.—In consequence of the death of Rev. C. Y. Steptoe, this report cannot be stated satisfactorily or accurately. Mr. Steptoe died in December, 1877, and the papers touching the items of this report were mislaid.

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ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, ST. MARK'S PARISH.

Rev. ED. WALL, Rector.

Post Office—Culpeper.

Treasurer's Post Office—Culpeper.

Communicants: Present number, 134. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 75; total, 90; colored, teachers, 2; scholars, 20; total, 22. Contributions, $32.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:			
Paid vestry,		$325 00	
Church debt,		550 00	
			875 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:			
Diocesan Missions,	$50 00		
Convocation Missions,	75 00		
		125 00	
Foreign Missions,		1,965 00	
			2,090 00
Other objects:			
Disabled clergymen,		8 00	
Contingent Fund,		90 00	
			98 00
Total,			$3,063 00

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, LEIGHTON PARISH.

Rev. J. H. MORRISON, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Cartersville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Cartersville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 22; present number, 22. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 2.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$8 70
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	43 17
Total,	$51 87

DINWIDDIE COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. CHURCHILL J. GIBSON, D. D., Rector.

Rev. THOMAS SPENCER, Assistant Minister.

Post Office—Petersburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Petersburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white 3; infants, white, 8; aggregate, 11. Confirmations: White, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 20; added, white, 25 (of which by transfer 13); aggregate, 45; died, 2; present number, 43. Funerals, white, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 37; scholars, 213; total, 250. Contributions, $161.73.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:		
Extension of Church	$385 39	
Relief of poor,	98 53	
Christmas tree,	40 00	
		523 92
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,		49 25
Total,		$573 17

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GRACE CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. CHURCHILL J. GIBSON, D. D., Rector.

Rev. THOMAS SPENCER, Assistant Minister.

Post Office—Petersburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Petersburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 11; infants, white, 59; in vacant parishes, 8; colored, 1; total, 68; aggregate, 79. Confirmations: White, 37. Communicants: Formerly reported, 523; added, white, 54 (of which by transfer 18); aggregate, 577; removed, 24; withdrawn, 2; suspended, 3; died, 9; total, 38; present number, 539. Marriages: White, 20; colored, 18; total, 38. Funerals: White, 50. Four Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 59; scholars, 320; total, 379; contributions, $110.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,		
Assistant's Fund,	$525 00	
Dorcas Society,	25 00	
Communion alms,	104 00	
Special to poor,	80 00	
		734 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Foreign Missions,	$100 00	
Education Society,	13 00	
Home Commissions,	65 00	
Deaf Mutes,	19 00	
Diocesan Missions,	100 00	
Widows and Orphans,	22 00	
Building other churches,	59 00	
Convocation Fund,	48 00	
Contingent Fund,	100 00	
		526 00
Other objects:		
Petersburg Bible Society,	20 00	
Home for fallen,	5 00	
		25 00
Total,		$1,285 00

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. C. R. HAINS, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Petersburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Petersburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 36; aggregate, 40. Confirmations: White, 23. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 387; added, white, 41 (of which by transfer 14); aggregate, 428; removed, 11; withdrawn, 1; died, 2; total, 14; present number, 414. Marriages: White, 7. Funerals: White, 9. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 44; scholars, 270; total, 314. Contributions, $167.47. Parochial Schools: Number of paid teachers, 1; scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$1,830 39
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	622 25
Total, ...	$2,452 64

REMARKS.—I report also the baptism of one adult, and the confirmation of four persons at Christ Church, Waverly, a mission placed under my charge by the Petersburg Convocation.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. GILES B. COOKE, Rector.

Post Office—Petersburg.

Baptisms: Adults, colored, 4; infants, white, 2; colored, 51; aggregate, 57. Confirmations: Colored, 19. Communicants: Formerly reported, colored, 58; added, colored, 37 (taken up 18); aggregate, 95; withdrawn, 2; died, 3; total, 5; present number, 90. Marriages: Colored, 3. Funerals: Colored, 7. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 1; colored, teachers, 4; scholars, 150. Contributions, $15.20. Parochial Schools: Number of paid teachers, 4; scholars, 150.

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Parochial Reports.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$24 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$40 00
Other objects, ...	5 00
Total, ...	$69 00

REMARKS.—Also 3 colored adults, and 12 colored children baptized in Christ Church near Warm Springs. Of the confirmations above reported one was in Danville.

SAPONY CHURCH.

Rev. E. B. JONES, Officiating.

In addition to the duties reported by me as acting rector of Trinity Church, Brunswick, I respectfully report that I continue to preach once a month at Sapony Church, Dinwiddie county. Have baptized three since my last report—one adult, white. Officiated at one funeral. Had five confirmed. The congregation met on Easter Monday, elected a vestry, and earnestly desired me to continue my services with them.

I preach once a month at a Methodist Chapel in my neighborhood, and on the evening of the same day to a colored congregation by their request at one of their own churches, and hope and believe that I am doing some good thereby.

ELIZABETH CITY COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY PARISH.

Rev. JOHN J. GRAVATT, Rector.

Post Office—Hampton.

Treasurer's Post Office—Hampton.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 16; aggregate, 17. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 85; colored, 1; total, 86; added, white, 3; aggregate, 89; removed, 4; withdrawn, 1; suspended, 2; total, 7; present number, 82. Marriages: White, 5. Funerals: White, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 11; scholars, 75; total, 86. Contributions, $28.78.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$1,235 65
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	28 82
Other objects,	6 50
Total,	$1,260 97

ESSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S AND ST. JOHN'S CHURCHES, SOUTH FARNHAM PARISH.

Rev. EVARARD MEADE, Rector.

Post Office—Tappahannock.

Treasurer's Post Office—Tappahannock.

Baptisms: White, adults, 4; infants, 5; aggregate, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 84; added, white, 9 (of which by transfer 4); aggregate, 93; removed, 1: withdrawn, 3; total, 4; present number, 89. Marriages, 2. Funerals: White, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 22; scholars, 120; total, 142.—Contributions, $14.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$192 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	183 91
Total,	$375 91

VAWTER'S AND ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCHES, ST. ANN'S PARISH.

Rev. ALEXANDER OVERBY, Rector.

Post Office—Occupacia.

Treasurer's Post Office—Loretto.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 35; colored, 3; total, 38; removed, 6; present number, 32. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 8; total, 9. Funerals: White, 3.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Diocesan Missionary Society, . .	14 00	
Other Missionary objects, . . .	10 00	
		$24 00
Contingent Fund, ...		22 00
Total, ...		$46 00

FAIRFAX COUNTY.

THE FALLS CHURCH, FAIRFAX PARISH.

Rev. JNO. MCGILL, Rector.

Post Office—Chantilly.

Treasurer's Post Office—Alexandria.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6. Confirmations: White, 8. Communicants: I found upon taking charge September 1st, white, 10; added, white 11 (of which by transfer 5); present number, 21. Marriages: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$150 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	51 75
Total, ...	$201 75

ZION AND CHRIST CHURCHES, ST. TIMOTHY'S MISSION, TRURO PARISH.

Rev. JNO. MCGILL, Rector.

Post Office—Chantilly.

Treasurer's Post Office—Fairfax Court-house.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 18; infants, white, 5; aggregate, 23.

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Confirmations: White, 47. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 53; added, white, 53 (of which by transfer 6); aggregate, 106; removed, 2; present number, 104. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 10. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 94; total, 109. Contributions, $7.50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$204 40
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	262 52
Total, ...	$466 92

REMARKS.—Finding my strength unequal to the work required in this most interesting and promising field, I felt forced to resign the charge of it, to take effect from the first of next month. My Post Office thereafter will be Brandy Station, Culpeper county, Virginia.

FAUQUIER COUNTY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, PIEDMONT PARISH.

Rev. JOHN AMBLER, Rector.

Post Office—Haymarket.

Treasurer's Post Office—Salem, Fauquier.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3; colored, 1; aggregate, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 17; added, white, 2 (of which by transfer 2); aggregate, 19; removed, 1; present number, 18. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$100 00
Other objects:	
Diocesan Mission Society, ...	10 00
Foreign Missions, ...	10 00
Convocation Fund, ...	10 00
Education for Ministry, ...	5 00
Convocation expenses, ...	6 00
Disabled Clergy, ...	3 50
Total, ...	$144 50

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GRACE CHURCH, EMMANUEL PARISH.

Rev. W. STROTHER JONES, Rector.

Post Office—Casanova.

Treasurer's Post Office—Casanova.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1; colored, 1; aggregate, 3; Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 34; died, 1; present number, 33. Funerals: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 20; total, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:		
Communion Alms,	$27 53	
Rectory Fund,	337 84	
		365 37
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Diocesan Missions,	25 00	
Foreign Missions,	25 00	
Convocation Missions,	15 00	
Disabled Clergy,	6 50	
		71 50
Other objects, not including Contingent Fund,		99 84
Total,		$536 71

REMARKS.—Besides preaching every Sunday morning at Grace (the Parish Church) during the Spring and Summer, the alternate Sunday afternoons I preach at a school-house near where stood St. Stephen's Church, Cedar Run Parish, and in the opposite direction in the Methodist Church at Liberty.

GRACE CHURCH, MEADE PARISH.

(Vacant).

Treasurer's Post Office—Upperville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3; Confirmations: White, 3. Communi-

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cants: Formerly reported, white, 30; added, white, 3; aggregate, 33; removed, 6; died, 1; total, 7; present number, 26. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:	
For African Missions,	$83 44
Education Society,	72 00
Convocation,	40 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	40 00
Total,	$235 44

GRACE AND TRINITY CHURCHES, WHITTLE PARISH.

Rev. W. H. H. POWERS, Rector.

Post Office—The Plains.

Treasurer's Post Office—Broad Run.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 9; aggregate, 12. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 114; added, white, 13 (of which by transfer 7); aggregate, 127; removed, 15; died, 3; total, 18; present number, 109. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 2; total, 4. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 12; scholars, 75; total, 87.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,		$308 42
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Piedmont Convocation,	60 00	
Bishop Johns' Scholarship,	100 00	
Diocesan Missions,	75 58	
Foreign Missions,	127 00	
Disabled Clergy,	16 13	
Work of Rev. Giles B. Cooke,	10 00	
Virginia Brotherhood,	10 50	
Contingent Fund,	85 00	
		484 21
Total,		$792 63

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ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, HAMILTON PARISH.

Rev. JOHN S. LINDSAY, Rector.

Post Office—Warrenton.

Treasurer's Post Office—Warrenton.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 9; colored, 1; total, 10; aggregate, 11. Confirmations: White, 13. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 148; colored, 2; total, 150; added, white, 28 (of which by transfer, 10); aggregate, 178; removed, 17; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; total, 19; present number, 159. Marriages: White, 5. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 9; scholars, 60; total, 69. Contributions, $25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$832 73
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	345 75
Other objects, ...	25 00
Total, ...	$1,203 48

LEEDS CHURCH, LEEDS PARISH.

Rev. HENRY B. LEE, Rector.

Post Office—Markham.

Treasurer's Post Office.—Markham.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 4; aggregate, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 62; added, white, 1; aggregate, 63; removed, 3; died, 1; total, 4; present number, 59. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 10; scholars, 40; total, 50. Contributions, $8.03.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$152 99
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	76 95
Contingent Fund, ...	59 00
Total, ...	$288 94

REMARKS.—This report, as regards the contributions, begins August 1st, 1877.

FLUVANNA COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S AND FORK UNION CHURCHES, RIVANNA PARISH.

Rev. J. H. MORRISON, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Cartersville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Columbia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 5; colored, 1; total, 6; aggregate, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 52; added, white, 4; aggregate, 56; removed, 4; present number, 52. Marriages: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 30; total, 36.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$20 50
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	52 11
Total, ...	$72 61

The Parish has one candidate for Holy Orders.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, FRANKLIN PARISH.

Rev. JOHN R. LEE, Rector.

Post Office—Martinsville, Henry County.

Treasurer's Post Office—Martinsville, Henry County.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 13; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 14. Confirmations: White, 26. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 13; added, white, 30; present number, 43. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools. White, teachers, 18: scholars, 85; total, 103.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:	
Contingent Fund, ...	43 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:	
Diocesan Missionary Society, ...	5 00
Foreign Missions, ...	10 00
Total, ...	$58 00

FREDERICK COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, FREDERICK PARISH.

Rev. JAMES R. HUBARD, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Winchester.

Treasurer's Post Office—Winchester.

Baptisms: Adults, 16; infants, 66; aggregate, 82. Confirmations, 94. Communicants: Present number, 230. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6.

Total contributions (not including rector's salary and regular expenses,)	$2,441 22

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ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. THOMAS' PARISH.

Rev. JOHN K. MASON, Rector.

Post Office—Mt. Jackson.

Treasurer's Post Office—Middletown.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; Infants, white, 2; colored, 1; aggregate, 5. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 22; added, white, 8; (of which by transfer 2); aggregate, 30; removed, 3; died, 1; total, 4; present number, 26. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Virginia Educational Society,	$11 23
Convocation,	15 46
Diocesan Missionary Society,	16 68
Contingent Fund,	26 00
Disabled Clergy,	6 00
Foreign Missions,	5 50
Total,	$80 87

GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

WARE CHURCH, WARE PARISH.

Rev. WM. MUNFORD, Rector.

Post Office—Gloucester Court-house.

Treasurer's Post Office—Gloucester Court-house.

Baptisms: Colored, 1; infants, white, 3; aggregate, 4. Confirmations: White, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 66; added, white, 12 (of which by transfer, 3); colored, 1; aggregate, 13; removed, 6; died, 3; total, 9; present number, 70. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 3.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$233 00
Other objects,	197 00
Total,	$430 00

ABINGDON CHURCH, ABINGDON PARISH.

Rev. ALEX. Y. HUNDLEY, Deacon.

Post Office—White Marsh.

Treasurer's Post Office—Gloucester Court-house.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 4; aggregate, 10. Confirmations: White, 19. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 44; added, white, 21 (of which by transfer 2); aggregate, 65; removed, 10; died, 2; total, 12; present number, 53. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$60 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	12 00
Total,	$72 00

GOOCHLAND COUNTY.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. JAMES' NORTHAM PARISH.

P. M. BOYDEN, Deacon.

Post Office—Sabot Island.

Treasurer's Post Office—Sabot Island.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Present number, 18.

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Parochial Reports.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$227 73
Other objects, ...	157 00
Total, ...	$384 73

REMARKS.—This report is only for a part of the year last past. This congregation has never been regularly organized before.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ST. JAMES NORTHAM PARISH.

Rev. P. M. BOYDEN, Rector.

Post Office—Sabot Island.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2. Confirmations: White, 3. Communicants: White, 11. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 7; scholars, 48; total, 59. Contributions, $10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$ 13 90
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	150 68
Total, ...	$164 58

REMARKS.—This report embraces only a part of the year. The church is a new one, and has never been represented in Council till the present.

GRACE CHURCH, ST. JAMES' NORTHAM PARISH.

Rev. P. M. BOYDEN, Deacon.

Post Office—Sabot Island.

Treasurer's Post Office—North Side.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 38; added, white, 2 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 40; removed, 3; died, 1; present number, 36. Funerals: White, 1.

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Parochial Reports.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$25 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	100 30
Other objects, additional,	3 83
Total,	$129 13

REMARKS.—This embraces only part of the year.

GREENSVILLE COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, MEHERRIN PARISH.

Rev. ROBB WHITE, Missionary.

Post Office—Lawrenceville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Hicksford.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 22; added, white, 7 (of which by transfer 3); aggregate, 29; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; total, 2; present number, 27. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$110 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	47 60
Total,	$157 60

REMARKS.—A handsome organ has been purchased at a cost of $135, and paid for, and a communicant donated a handsome stove. The ladies have $60 to put shingles on the Church.

There are several candidates for confirmation.

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HALIFAX COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S AND GRACE CHURCHES, ANTRIM PARISH.

Rev. O. A. KINSOLVING, Rector.

Post Office—Halifax Court-house.

Treasurer's Post Office—Halifax Court-house.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 7; infants, white, 15; aggregate, 22. Confirmations: White, 32. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 147; colored, 1; total, 148; added, white, 52 (of which by transfer 22); aggregate, 200; removed, 6; withdrawn, 2; died, 1; total, 9; present number, 191. Marriages: White, 6; colored, 2; total, 8. Funerals: White, 7. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 20; scholars, 80; total, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$350 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	250 00
Total,	$600 00

HANOVER COUNTY.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. B. E. HABERSHAM, Rector.

Post Office—Old Church.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Confirmed, at St. Peter's, New Kent, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 30; added, 1; total, 31; died, 1; removed, 1 present number, 29. Marriages, 1; Funerals, 3. Sunday Schools, teachers, 4; scholars, 16; total, 20. Contributions, $3.07.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$100 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, excluding Contingent Fund,	57 07
Total,	$157 07

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REMARKS.—A class is awaiting confirmation at this church. A very beautiful fount in memory of the late Edmund Ruffin, Esq., has been recently placed in the Church, and the church ground enclosed for a cemetery.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. B. E. HABERSHAM, Rector.

Post Office—Old Church.

Treasurer's Post Office—Hanover C. H.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants, 19. Marriages, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,		$50 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Diocesan Missions,	70 50	
Other missions,	25 86	
Charities,	21 62	
		117 98
Total,		$167 98

FORK AND TRINITY CHURCHES ST. MARTIN'S PARISH.

Rev. ROBT. DOUGLAS ROLLER, Rector.

Post Office—Verdon.

Treasurer's Post Office—Beaver Dam.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 2; aggregate, 8. Confirmations: White, 23. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 67; added, white, 25 (of which by transfer 9); aggregate, 92; removed, 4; died, 2; total, 6; present number, 86. Marriages: White, 6; colored, 1; total, 7. Funerals: White, 8. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 25; scholars, 145; total, 100; colored, scholars, 25.

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Parochial Reports.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$592 70
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	192 12
Total, ...	$784 82

REMARKS.—About $200 of the above amount has been collected, mainly, from sources without the Parish, for the chapel at Hanover Junction.

HENRICO COUNTY.

MONUMENTAL CHURCH, CITY RICHMOND PARISH.

Rev. J. G. ARMSTRONG, Rector.

Post Office—Richmond.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: White, adults, 4; infants, 14; aggregate, 18. Confirmations: White, 16; (2 of which at St. Paul's). Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 241; colored, 2; total, 243; added, white, 21; aggregate, 264; removed, 29; died, 8; total, 37; present number, 227. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Funerals: White, 8. Sunday Schools: White, officers and teachers, 43; scholars, 272; total, 315. Contributions, $261.70 (including $70.20 Benevolent Society connected with church and school).

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$1,050 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	2,228 42
Total, ...	$3,278 42

REMARKS.—The venerable and beloved, Rev. George Woodbridge, D. D., departed this life on Thursday morning, February 14, 1878, with the deepest sorrow of all his flock; and the vestry of the Monumental Church called in his place the Rev. J. G. Armstrong, who will enter on his pastoral duties the 19th of May, 1878.

GEO. D. FISHER, Sen. Warden.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. A. W. WEDDELL, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Richmond.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, 23; infants, 30; total, 53. Confirmations: 41. Communicants: Formerly reported, 217; added, 58 (of which by transfer 15); aggregate, 273; removed, 12; dropped, 4; died, 2; total, 18; present number, 255. Marriages: 8. Funerals: 21. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 27; scholars, 209; total, 236. Contributions, $257.62.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:		
Communion alms,	239 70	
Special for the Poor, through Ladies Aid Soc'y,	121 52	
Easter Offering (special),	339 67	
Balance on new lecture room,	49 67	
Furnishing new lecture room,	128 55	
Sunday School support,	55 96	
St. John's room in Sick Retreat,	125 00	
		1,060 07
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Contingent Fund,	150 00	
Diocesan Missions,	125 00	
Helping other Churches,	147 85	
Church Home,	70 25	
Brotherhood,	63 00	
Disabled Clergy,	50 33	
Foreign Missions,	40 00	
Freedmen,	25 00	
Education Society,	21 76	
Widows and Orphans,	20 00	
		713 19
Total,		$1,773 26

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CHRIST CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. ROBERT S. BARRETT, Rector.

Post Office—Richmond.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 13; infants, white, 20; aggregate, 33. Confirmations: White, 26. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 111; added, white, 29 (of which by transfer 3); aggregate, 140; removed, 14; withdrawn, 3; suspended, 12; total, 29; present number, 111. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 11. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 125; total, 140. Contributions, $63.87.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$583 66
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	21 16
Total, ...	$604 82

REMARKS.—It is proper to state that the report of removals and suspensions embraces several years. Having been in the parish but a short time when my last report was made, it was necessarily incomplete.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH AND BISHOP MOORE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

Rev. J. PETERKIN, D. D., Rector.

Rev. R. A. GIBSON,
Rev. J. R. WINCHESTER, Deacon, } Assistant Ministers.

Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 11; colored, 1; infants, white, 24; colored, 2; total, 38. Confirmations: (5 at the Chapel) 27. Communicants: Last reported, 410; died and removed, 22; added, 42; present number, 430. Marriages: White, 15; colored, 1; total, 16. Funerals, 39. Sunday Schools at Church and Chapel: Teachers, about 45; scholars, 300.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:			$1,825 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:			
Protestant Episcopal Church Home, No. 517 north Fourth street, Richmond,	$655 00		
Empie scholarship (Education Society,)	130 00		
Diocesan Missions,	$215 00		
Contingent Fund,	430 00		
	645 00		
Various Church Societies,	100 00		
		1,530 00	
Other objects:			
Virginia Bible Society,	25 00		
"Retreat for the sick,"	230 00		
		255 00	
Sunday School contributions for various purposes,		200 00	
Outstanding debt paid within the year,		780 00	
Total,			$4,590 00

REMARKS.—The Bishop Moore Memorial Chapel, though assisting in its own support, is still a missionary enterprise connected with St. James' Church. Its statistics, therefore, are included in this report. The Rev. R. A. Gibson has immediate care of the Chapel, while the Rev. J. R. Winchester gives his services chiefly to St. James and to the colored congregation at St. Philip's Church.

ST. PAUL'S AND ST. ANDREW'S CHURCHES, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. CHAS. MINNIGERODE, D. D., Rector.

Rev. PIKE POWERS, Assistant Minister.

Post Office—Richmond.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, St. Paul's, 4; St. Andrews, 7; total, 11; infants, white, St. Paul's, 12; St. Andrew's, 34; total, 46; aggregate, 57. Confirmations: White, St. Paul's, 29; St. Andrew's, 22; total, 51. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 456; added, white, 71 (of which by transfer 26); aggregate, 527; removed, 30; withdrawn, 1; died, 7; total, 38; present number, 489 (including 72 of St. Andrew's).

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Parochial Reports.

Marriages: White, 10. Funerals: White, 18. Sunday Schools: White, St. Paul's, teachers, 35; scholars, 209; total, 244; St. Andrew's, teachers, 9; scholars, 100; total, 109; aggregate, 353. Contributions, St. Paul's, $225; St. Andrew's $37; total, $262. Parochial School at St. Andrews: Number of paid teachers, 1; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Offertory,	$947 99
Collections on 2nd and 3rd Sundays, for St. Paul's Church,	1,530 84
Contingent Fund,	489 00
St. Andrew's Mission, about,	750 00
Christ Church, Richmond,	128 51
Easter offering, for repairs, about,	720 00
Diocesan Missions,	263 84
Domestic Missions,	46 86
Foreign Missions,	100 17
Education Society,	59 77
Widows and Orphans Society,	55 15
Brotherhood,	410 30
St. Paul's Church Home:	
Orphan Asylum,	2,638 04
For Aged and Infirm Women,	1,232 51
Sewing Society, last three months,	160 00
Retreat for the Sick,	170 00
Collection at service for Deaf Mutes,	13 00
Church Work Society,	66 67
Virginia Bible Society,	78 10
Contributions reported from St. Andrew's,	227 11
Mr. Rainsford's Mission,	400 00
Total,	$10,487 86

Remarks.—The statistics of this report show the continued success and growth of the mission of St. Andrew's. The debt on this building has been fully paid, and last fall it was consecrated by Bishop Whittle. For want of room the afternoon Sunday school has recently been suspended. We expect soon to build a large room there, to accommodate the Sunday schools as well as the Parish day school, and a night school for young men. The Sunday school at St. Paul's is in a very healthy condition; the teachers meet weekly for study. The school supports entirely the Parish school at St. Andrews of about thirty children; and also at St. Paul's church a Dorcas society and Sewing school of about twenty scholars.

St. Paul's Church home has been greatly blessed in both of its departments. Eight of the orphans have been confirmed. In the women's

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department, now incorporated under the name of "St. Paul's Church Home for the Aged and Infirm," the infirmary has naturally become a prominent feature. Apart from the regular inmates of the Home, ten cases have been treated during the year. A dispensary has been added, and two days in each week, Tuesday and Friday, from one to two o'clock, are given to the poor of all classes and denominations for treatment and medicine.

GRACE CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. H. M. JACKSON, Rector.

Post Office—Richmond.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 5; infants, white, 13; aggregate, 18. Confirmations: White, 24. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 187; added, white, 61; aggregate, 248; removed, 13; withdrawn, 9; died, 3; total, 25; present number, 223. Marriages: White, 4. Funerals: White, 5. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 30; scholars, 165; total, 195.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$1,899 52
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	329 36
Total, ...	$2,228 88

EMMANUEL CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. WILLIAM NORWOOD, D. D., Rector.

Post Office, Richmond—Box 163.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 19; aggregate, 20. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 75; added, white, 6 (of which by transfer 6); aggregate, 81; removed, 2; withdrawn, 3; total, 5; present number, 76. Marriages: White, 3; colored, 2; total, 5. Funerals: White, 7. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 7; scholars, 60; total, 67. Contributions: $20 to Foreign Missions.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, $333 00.

REMARKS.—Large contributions to other objects by the Parish which cannot be reported here.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. T. G. DASHIELL, Rector.

Post Office—Richmond.

J. W. Beveridge, Treasurer. Post Office—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 11; infants, white, 23; aggregate, 34. Confirmations: White, 32. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 323; added, white, 44; aggregate, 367; removed, 22; dropped, 9; withdrawn, 1; died, 6; total, 38; present number, 329. Marriages: White, 10; colored, 1; total, 11. Funerals: White, 22. Sunday Schools, 2; teachers, 40; scholars, 320; total, 360. Offerings, $103.57.

Contributions: (Including Sunday School offerings) . $1,440 92.

HENRY COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, PATRICK PARISH.

Rev. JNO. R. LEE, Rector.

Post Office—Martinsville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Martinsville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Confirmations: White, 1 (in another diocese.) Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 28; added, white, (by transfer) 1; present number, 29. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 1.

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Parochial Reports.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:	
Contingent Fund,	$29 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:	
Diocesan Missions,	15 00
Total,	$44 00

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWPORT PARISH.

Rev. F. A. MEADE, Rector.

Post Office—Smithfield.

Treasurer's Post Office—Smithfield.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1; Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 52; colored, 1; aggregate, 53; removed, 4; present number, 49. Funerals: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 7; scholars, 20; total, 27. Contributions, $7.08.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$ 23 71
Other objects,	207 00
Total,	$230 71

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JAMES CITY COUNTY.

BRUTON PARISH CHURCH, BRUTON PARISH.

Rev. HENRY WALL, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Williamsburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Williamsburg.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 65; died, 4; present number, 61. Funerals: White, 8. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 8; scholars, 60; total, 68.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, . $94 00

REMARKS.—Above report from December 1st, 1877, when I took charge of the Parish.

KING GEORGE COUNTY.

LAMB'S CREEK CHURCH, BRUNSWICK PARISH.

Rev. JAMES W. SHIELDS, Rector.

Treasurer's Post Office—Comorn.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 21; removed, 8; present number, 13. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 1.

REMARKS.—I must also report that during the past year I have, in connection with Brunswick Parish, preached every first Sunday in the month at a Chapel situated about five miles from the town of Fredericksburg. This building has been erected during the past year through the efforts of some energetic members of the Episcopal Church, who were impressed with the conviction that the gospel might *there* reach a number of persons who otherwise would not be in contact with its influence.

As the result of these labors there now exists a comfortable and neat wooden structure, entirely paid for—about eleven communicants willing

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to exert themselves to any extent for the furtherance of the Redeemer's kingdom—surrounded by a population which I think have shown themselves susceptible to the means which our Church employs for the promotion of the gospel.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. JAMES W. SHIELDS, Rector.

Post Office—Hampstead.

Treasurer's Post Office—Hampstead.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 37; added, white, (by transfer) 2; aggregate, 39; removed, 5; present number, 34. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$20 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	38 00
Total, ...	$58 00

ST. JOHN'S AND EMMANUEL CHURCHES, HANOVER PARISH.

Rev. E. B. MCGUIRE, Rector.

Post Office—King George Court-house.

Treasurer's Post Office—Comorn.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 37; added, white, 6; present number, 43. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 1; total, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$80 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	29 43
Total, ...	$109 43

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KING WILLIAM COUNTY.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, ST. DAVID'S PARISH.

Rev. J. H. HUNDLEY, Rector.

Post Office—Montague's.

Treasurer's Post Office—King William Court-house.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 12; added, white, 2; aggregate, 14; suspended, 1; present number, 13. Sunday Schools: white, teachers, 5; scholars, 30; total, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$40 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	20 00
Total, ...	$60 00

REMARKS.—A small class ready for confirmation at the coming of the Bishop. The congregation has greatly increased, and, so far as we are able to judge, the peospect of the Parish is at least hopeful.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

CHRIST AND WHITE CHAPEL CHURCHES, CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

Rev. HENRY L. DERBY, Rector.

Post Office—Lancaster Court-house.

Treasurer's Post Office—Kilmarnock.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 45; removed, 2; present number, 43. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 12; scholars, 65; total, 77.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Disabled Clergymen's Fund,	$ 5 25
Diocesan Mission Society,	30 00
Foreign and Domestic Mission Society, New York,	17 25
Amount raised by Ladies' Parish Aid Society, and expended on rectory, churches, &c., &c.,	40 00
Bishop Payne, scholarship,	8 00
Towards support of Missionary in Africa,	20 00
Total,	$120 50

LOUDOUN COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, SHELBURNE PARISH.

Rev. RICHARD T. DAVIS, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Leesburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Leesburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 5; aggregate, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 167; colored, 7; total, 174. added, white, 6 (of which by transfer, 5); aggregate, 180; removed, 7; withdrawn, 2; suspended, 1; died, 3; total, 13; present number, 167. Marriages: White, 6. Funerals: White, 9. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 13; scholars, 45; total, 58; colored, scholars, 35. Contributions, $50.00.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$368 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	660 31
Other objects,	200 00
Total,	$1,228 31

REMARKS.—The decrease in the number of communicants of St. James' is to be explained by the fact that there has been no confirmation held in the parish, within the past year. In addition to the contributions above reported, two hundred dollars have been raised by the zealous exertions of the ladies attached to the church at Oatlands Mills, and expended upon the pews and other interior work about the church; and the building is now ready for consecration.

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CHRIST CHURCH, SHELBURNE PARISH.

Rev. THEO. REED, Rector.

Post Office—Leesburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Leesburg.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: present number, 32. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 16; scholars, 54; total, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Total, (not including Contingent Fund), . $90 00

COTOCTON CHURCH, SHELBURNE PARISH.

Rev. THEO. REED, Rector.

Post Office—Leesburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Waterford.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Present number, 37. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday School at Hamilton Mission: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 55; total, 70. Contributions, $208.46.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:
Total, not including Contingent Fund, . . . $50 00

REMARKS.—The Sunday School at Broad Run (a mission point of Cotocton Church) is re-opened with encouraging prospects. Episcopal services held at this point occasionally. Regular monthly services at Hamilton and Waterford Missions. At Hamilton the walls of the new church are up, and the church lot paid for. About $1,200 has been raised and expended, with some money on hand. The effort now is to get the building under roof. This church when completed will be a very pretty one,—Gothic style, centre aisle, with recess chancel. It will be a great help to church effort in this most encouraging and promising

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field. At Oatland Mills the new church is finished, nicely furnished, and ready for consecration.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, JOHNS' PARISH.

(Vacant.)

Post Office—Middleburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Middleburg.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Confirmations: White, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 46; added, white, 9; removed, 11; present number, 44. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 3; total, 5. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 4; scholars, 15; total, 19.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses:	
For African Missions,	$83 44
For Education Society,	72 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:	
Convocation,	40 00
Diocesan Mission Society,	40 00
Total,	$235 44

REMARKS.—Johns' and Meade Parishes in conjunction give the above amounts.

LUNENBURG COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUMBERLAND PARISH.

Rev. L. J. SOTHORON, Rector.

Post Office—Brickland.

Treasurer's Post Office—Rubermont.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 5; aggregate, 7. Con-

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firmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 34; added, white, 8; aggregate, 42; removed, 2; died, 4; total, 6; present number, 36. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 5; total, 6. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$ 7 25
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	45 22
Total, ...	$ 52 47

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CUMBERLAND PARISH.

Rev. L. J. SOTHORON, Rector.

Post Office—Brickland.

Treasurer's Post Office—Rubermont.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 9; present number, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, . $27 25

LOUISA COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GREEN SPRING PARISH.

Rev. E. BOYDEN, Rector.

Post Office—Cobham.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 15; present number, 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, $25 00

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MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ST. JAMES' PARISH.

Rev. R. A. GOODWIN, Rector.

Post Office—Boydton.

Treasurer's Post Office—Boydton.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 15; colored, 2; total, 17; infants, white, 12; aggregate, 29. Confirmations: White, 24; colored, 2; total, 26. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 72; added, white, 32 (of which by transfer 4); colored, 2; total, 34; aggregate, 106; suspended, 1; died, 2; present number, 103. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 17; scholars, 73; total, 90. Contributions, $48.32. Colored, teachers, 8; scholars, 80; total, 88. Contributions, $1.92. Total contributions, $50.24.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$226 46
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	56 47
Other objects, ...	25 42
Total, ...	$308 35

REMARKS.—Nine of the communicants reported above have been added to the church during the past year at the poor-house of this county. We are trying to build a chapel there. I have in hand about $175 for that purpose.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ST. JAMES' PARISH.

Rev. R. A. GOODWIN, Rector.

Post Office—Boydton.

Communicants: Formerly reported, 10; died, 1; present number, 9. Funerals, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion alms, ...	$0 85

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Rev. R. A. GOODWIN, Rector.

Post Office—Boydton.

Treasurer's Post Office—Townsville, N. C.

Baptisms: White, infants, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 22; added, white, (by transfer) 1; present number, 23. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$10 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	43 50
Other objects,	17 03
Total,	$70 53

There is a Union Sunday School near this church.

OLD CHURCH, ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Rev. R. A. GOODWIN, Rector.

Post Office—Boydton.

Treasurer's Post Office—Chase City.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 16; added, white, 5; aggregate, 21; died, 1; present number, 20. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$20 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	8 25
Other objects,	1 31
Total,	$29 56

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ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Rev. R. A. GOODWIN, Rector.

Post Office—Boydton, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1; adults, white, 2; total, 3. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, 7; added, 5; removed, 2; present number, 10. Contributions, $16.71.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

Rev. J. HERVEY HUNDLEY, Rector.

Post Office—Montague's.

Treasurer's Post Office—Saluda.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 24; removed, 3; present number, 21. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$60 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	59 38
Other objects,	5 00
Total,	$124 38

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

THE CHURCH IN MONTGOMERY PARISH.

Rev. NELSON P. DAME, Minister.

Post Office—Blacksburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Blacksburg.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Confirmations: White, 7; Communi-

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cants: Present number, 35. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 14; scholars, 67; total, 81. Contributions, $20.80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses, .	$456 56
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	78 77
Total, ...	$535 33

REMARKS.—The students of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, who are communicants, are not herein included.

NANSEMOND COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, UPPER SUFFOLK PARISH.

Rev. JAS. B. CRAIGHILL, Rector.

Post Office—Suffolk.

Treasurer's Post Office—Suffolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 8; aggregate, 10. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 42; added, white, 14 (of which by transfer 6); aggregate, 56; removed, 3; died, 1; total, 4; present number, 52. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 8. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 8; scholars, 46; total, 54. Contributions, $14.22.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$391 89
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, .	53 14
Other objects, ...	7 55
Total, ...	$452 58

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Parochial Reports.

ST. JOHN'S AND GLEBE CHURCHES, LOWER SUFFOLK PARISH.

Rev. JAS. B. CRAIGHILL, Rector.

Post Office—Suffolk.

Treasurer's Post Office—Suffolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 4; aggregate, 6. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 18; added, white, 4; aggregate, 22; removed, 1; died, 1; total, 2; present number, 20. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 56; total, 71. Contributions, $17.40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$316 61
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	27 23
Total, ...	$343 84

NELSON COUNTY.

BETHLEHEM, TRINITY AND CHRIST CHURCHES, NELSON PARISH.

Rev. EDMUND WITHERS, Rector.

Post Office—Norwood.

Treasurer's Post Office—Roseland.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 12; aggregate, 15. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 101; added, white, 11; aggregate, 112; removed, 6; died, 3; total, 9; present number, 103. Marriages: White, 4. Funerals: White, 5. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 9; scholars, 60; total, 69.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$110 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	132 00
Other objects, ...	40 00
Total, ...	$282 00

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NEW KENT COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ST. PETER'S PARISH.

Rev. H. S. KEPLER, Rector.

Post Office—Richmond.

Treasurer's Post Office.—White House.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 3; aggregate, 9. Confirmations: White, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 13; added, white, 10; aggregate, 23; suspended, 1; died, 1; total, 2; present number, 21. Funerals: White, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses,	$54 76
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	27 17
Total, ...	$81 93

NORFOLK COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH RIVER PARISH.

Rev. O. S. BARTEN, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Norfolk.

Treasurer's Post Office—Norfolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 17; infants, white, 62; colored, 2; total, 64; aggregate, 81. Confirmations: White, 37. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 506; colored, 8; total, 514; added, white, 54 (of which by transfer 16); aggregate, 568; removed, 34; died, 16; total, 50; present number, 518. Marriages: White, 24. Funerals: White, 45; colored, 1; total, 46. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 34; scholars, 280; total, 314. Contributions, $200. Two Parochial Schools: Number of teachers, 3; scholars, 90.

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Parochial Reports.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$3,760 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	1,740 00
Other objects, ...	207 00
Total, ...	$5,707 00

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORFOLK PARISH.

Rev. N. A. OKESON, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Norfolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 13; aggregate, 16 Confirmations: White, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 270; present number, 280. Marriages: White, 4. Funerals: White, 27. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 30; scholars, 175; total, 205. Contributions, $250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses: .	$2,450 21
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	414 37
Total, ...	$2,864 58

REMARKS.—During the last year about $10,000 has been expended in repairs on the Church.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, BERKELEY.

Baptisms: Adults, 7; infants, 5; total, 12. Confirmations: 6. Communicants, 32. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 11; scholars, 71; total, 82.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Education Society, ...	$ 6 50
Diocesan Missions, ...	10 00
Total, ...	$ 16 50

R. GATEWOOD,
Ass't Minister of St. Paul's, in charge of chapel, Berkeley.

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Parochial Reports.

EMMANUEL CHAPEL.

In this mission work we are making progress. The attendance on services is generally good. The Sunday and day schools are well attended and kept up. The Sunday School numbers 140 scholars and 23 teachers. The day school numbers 25 scholars, and is conducted by several ladies of whom two take charge each day. Expenses are punctually met, and there is no debt. There are three regular services held every week, and during a part of the year there is a ladies' prayer-meeting in the week. Altogether, during the year ending May 1st, I have been able to hold 220 services, with preaching at St. Paul's Chapel, Berkeley, and at Emmanuel Chapel, Norfolk.

R. GATEWOOD, *Presbyter.*

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, ELIZABETH RIVER PARISH.

Rev. JOHN B. NEWTON, Rector.

Post Office—Norfolk.

Treasurer's Post Office—Norfolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 12; aggregate, 14. Confirmations: White, 13. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 131; added, white, 27 (of which by transfer, 12); aggregate, 158; removed, 6; withdrawn, 1; died, 3; total, 10; present number, 148. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 13. Sunday Schools. White, teachers, 19; scholars, 115; total, 134. Contributions, $88.27. Industrial School: teachers, 9; scholars, 45.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$738 35
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	194 00
Other objects, ...	50 00
Total, ...	$982 35

REMARKS.—Our church building is now being handsomely frescoed, and its capacity increased by the addition of a number of seats, the latter improvement having been made necessary by the increased and increasing attendance upon our services.

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TRINITY CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH PARISH.

(Vacant.)

Post Office—Portsmouth.

Treasurer's Post Office—Portsmouth.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 12. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 153; colored, 2; aggregate, 155; removed, 9; died, 4; total, 13; present number, 142. Marriages: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 16; scholars, 143; total, 159. Contributions, $55.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$440 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	250 00
Total, ...	$695 00

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH PARISH.

Rev. JOHN D. POWELL, Rector.

Post Office—Portsmouth.

Treasurer's Post Office—Portsmouth.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 22. Confirmations: White, 3 (of which 1 in St. Paul's, Suffolk). Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 78; added, white, 11 (of which by transfer 6); aggregate, 89; removed, 6; died, 2; total, 8; present number, 81. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 13.* Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 111; total, 126.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Total, ...	$128 90

*REMARKS.—Six of these were sailors in the United States Navy.

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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WICOMICO PARISH.

(Vacant.)

Treasurer's Post Office—Heathsville.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 20; added, white, 5; aggregate, 25; died, 1; present number, 24. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 42; total, 48. Contributions, $5 in money, and $60 in books.

ORANGE COUNTY.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. THOMAS' PARISH.

Rev. JOHN S. HANSBROUGH, Rector.

Post Office—Orange C. H.

Treasurer's Post Office—Orange C. H.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 12; aggregate, 14. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 89; added, white, 3; aggregate, 92; removed, 5; withdrawn, 6; died, 3; total, 14; present number, 78. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 2; total 4. Funerals: White, 11. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 25; total, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$ 33 50
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	91 50
Total, ...	$125 00

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CHRIST CHURCH, ST. THOMAS' PARISH.

Rev. J. R. JOYNER, temporarily in charge.

Post Office—Gordonsville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Gordonsville.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 46; removed, 6; withdrawn, 3; died, 1; total, 10; present number, 36. Funerals: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 4; scholars, 25; total, 29.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$412 46
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	35 71
Other objects, including rector's salary, &c., . . .	413 11
Total, ...	$861 38

PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BANISTER PARISH.

Rev. W. A. ALRICH, Rector.

Post Office—Chatham.

Treasurer's Post Office—Chatham.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 35; added, white, 6 (of which by transfer 3); aggregate, 41; removed, 1; died, 2; total, 3; present number, 38. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Funerals: White, 7. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 30; total, 36. Contributions: $22.03.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$267 58
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, .	160 79
Total, ...	$428 37

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EPIPHANY CHURCH, CAMDEN PARISH.

Rev. GEORGE W. DAME, Rector.

Rev. O. S. BUNTING, Assistant Minister.

Post Office—Danville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Danville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 9; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 10. Confirmations: White, 9; colored, 1 (from Rev. G. A. Cooke's Church, Petersburg); total, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 133; added, white, 22 (of which by transfer 7); aggregate, 155; removed, 7; ordained, 1; withdrawn, 1; died, 4; total, 13; present number, 142. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 14; scholars, 110; total, 124. Contributions, $113.18.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$182 66
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	244 42
Other objects, ...	10 00
Total, ...	$437 08

POWHATAN COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, GENITO PARISH.

Rev. P. F. BERKELEY, Rector.

Post Office—Chula.

Communicants: Present number, 5.

REMARKS.—Through the kindness of the Rev. Frank Stringfellow, services are performed at Grace Church once a month, (as they were during the last summer and fall), with the view of enabling me to officiate monthly at Jetersville, in the county of Amelia. Official acts will be reported by Mr. Stringfellow.

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EMMANUEL CHURCH, ST. JAMES' SOUTHAM PARISH.

Rev. F. STRINGFELLOW, Rector.

Post Office—Sublett's Tavern.

Treasurer's Post Office—North Side, Goochland county.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; Infants, white, 11; aggregate, 13. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 32; added, white, (by transfer) 3; present number, 35; Marriages: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 2; scholars, 10; total, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$50 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	92 00
Other objects, ...	10 00
Total, ...	$152 00

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, POWHATAN PARISH.

Rev. F. STRINGFELLOW, Rector.

Post Office—Sublett's Tavern.

Treasurer's Post Office—Sublett's Tavern.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 29; added, white, 2; aggregate, 31; present number, 31. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 4; total, 6. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 40; total, 46. Contributions, $10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$82 50
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, .	194 00
Total, ...	$276 50

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MANIKIN CHURCH, KING WILLIAM PARISH.

Rev. A. B. TIZZARD, Rector.

Post Office—Winterpock.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2; adults, white, 2; total, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 17; removed, 1; added, 5; present number, 21. Marriages: Colored, 2. Funerals: White, 2. Contributions, $80.58.

PRINCESS ANNE COUNTY.

E. SHORE CHAPEL AND EMMANUEL CHURCH, LYNNHAVEN PARISH.

Rev. EDWIN A. PENICK, Minister.

Post Office—Kempsville.

Treasurer's Post Office—London Bridge.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 20; infants, white, 17; aggregate, 37. Confirmations: White, 41. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 50; added, white, 50 (of which by transfer 7; restored, 2;) aggregate, 100; removed, 8; suspended, 1; died, 2; total, 11; present number, 89. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 7; scholars, 60; total, 67. Contributions, $10.00.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,		$730 95
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Disabled Clergy,	20 50	
Education Society,	25 00	
		45 50
Other objects,		11 55
Contingent Fund,		89 00
Total,		$877 00

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PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, ST. PATRICK'S PARISH.

Rev. WELLINGTON E. WEBB, Rector.

Post Office—Prospect.

Treasurer's Post Office—Prospect.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Communicants, 9.

REMARKS.—The Rector having just taken charge of this Parish is unable to furnish all the statistics. He would simply add that there are quite a number of communicants at various points in the county who are not formally connected with St. Anne's, although within its parochial limits. This is owing mainly to the fact that the Parish has long been without a rector.

PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY.

MERCHANT'S HOPE CHURCH, MARTIN'S BRANDON PARISH.

Rev. EDW. VALENTINE JONES, Rector.

Post Office—Garysville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Garysville.

Baptisms: White, 2; infants, white, 7; aggregate, 9. Confirmations: White, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 32; added, white, 5; aggregate, 37; removed, 3; died, 1; total, 4; present number, 33. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 2; total, 3. Funerals: White, 8. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 25; total, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$90 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	45 00
Other objects, ...	8 00
Total, ...	$143 00

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. EDW. VALENTINE JONES, Rector.

Post Office—Garysville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Garysville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2; colored, 3; total, 5. Confirmations: White, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 17; added, white, 7 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 24; removed, 3: present number, 21. Funerals: White, 5. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 23; total, 29. Contributions, $11.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$55 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	54 00
Other objects, ...	12 00
Total, ...	$121 00

PRINCE GEORGE AND SURRY COUNTIES.

BRANDON AND GRACE CHURCHES, MARTIN'S BRANDON AND SOUTHWARK PARISHES.

(Vacant.)

Post Office—Brandon.

Treasurer's Post Office—Brandon.

Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 64; removed, 3; withdrawn, 1; died, 3; total, 7; present number, 57. Funerals: 3. Sunday Schools: Contributions, $80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$193 79

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PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, ST. PATRICK'S PARISH.

(Vacant.)

Baptisms: White, 3. Communicants: White, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

To Diocesan Fund, ...	$9 00

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LEEDS PARISH.

Rev. JOHN AMBLER, Rector.

Post Office—Haymarket.

Treasurer's Post Office—Haymarket.

Baptisms: Infants, colored, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 49; added, white, 3; aggregate, 52; removed, 10; died 1; total, 11; present number, 41. Marriages: White, 3; colored, 1; total, 4. Funerals: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 10; scholars, 40; total, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .		$95 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Convocation Fund, ...	20 00	
Foreign Missions, ...	20 00	
Diocesan Mission Society, . . .	10 00	
For Education Society, ...	3 00	
Disabled Clergy, ...	5 00	
		58 00
Total, ...		$153 00

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PULASKI COUNTY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, PULASKI PARISH.

Rev. GEO. S. GIBBS, Rector.

Post Office—Dublin Depot.

Treasurer's Post Office—Dublin Depot.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 11; aggregate, 13. Confirmations: White, 15. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 2; added, white, 15 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 18; removed, 1; withdrawn, 2; total, 3; present number, 15. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 2; scholars, 15; total, 17.

RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY.

TRINITY AND ST. PAUL'S CHURCHES, BLOOMFIELD PARISH.

Rev. EDMUND W. HUBARD, Rector.

Post Office—Washington.

Treasurer's Post Office—Washington.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 2; aggregate, 6. Confirmations: White, 11. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 44; added, white, 10; aggregate, 54; removed, 2; present number, 52. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 12; scholars, 35; total, 47.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$1,675 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	51 50
Total,	$1,726 50

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RICHMOND COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LUNENBURG PARISH.

Rev. BEVERLY D. TUCKER, Rector.

Post Office—Warsaw.

Treasurer's Post Office—Warsaw.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 4; aggregate, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 47; added, white, 8 (of which by transfer 1); aggregate, 55; died, 2; present number, 53. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 10; scholars, 35; total, 45. St. John's Chapel: White, teachers, 8; scholars, 32; total, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,		$100 00
Communion alms,		20 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church:		
Foreign Missions,	100 00	
Diocesan Missions,	20 00	
Disabled Clergy,	8 00	
Contingent Fund,	32 00	
		160 00
Other objects,		10 00
Total,		$290 00

FARNHAM CHURCH, NORTH FARNHAM PARISH.

Rev. BEVERLEY D. TUCKER, Rector.

Post Office—Warsaw.

Treasurer's Post Office—Emerton.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 16; added, white, (by transfer) 2; aggregate, 18; died, 1; present number, 17. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 6; scholars, 15; total, 21.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, -	$20 00
Contingent Fund, ...	15 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	20 00
Total, ...	$55 00

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY.

GRACE MEMORIAL CHURCH, LATIMER PARISH.

Rev. W. N. PENDLETON, D. D., Rector.

Post Office—Lexington.

Treasurer's Post Office—Lexington.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 4; aggregate, 5. Confirmations: White, 17; colored, 1; total, 18. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 100; colored, 1; total, 101; added, white, 20 (of which by transfer 3); colored, 1; total, 24; aggregate, 125; removed, 12; withdrawn, 6; suspended, 1; died, 1; total, 20; present number, 105. Marriages: White, 3. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 13; scholars, 68; total, 81. Colored, teachers, 10; scholars, 60; total, 70. Contributions, $40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$2,082 50
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	272 50
Other objects, ...	315 00
Total, ...	$2,670 00

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, ROCKINGHAM PARISH.

Rev. DAVID BARR, Rector.

Post Office—Harrisonburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Harrisonburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 2. Confirmations: White, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 102; added, white, 17 (of which by transfer, 4); aggregate, 119; removed, 4; suspended, 4; died, 1; total, 9; present number, 110. Marriages: White, 2; colored, 1; total; 3. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 8; scholars, 50; total, 58. Contributions, $16.75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$308 44
Regular expenses of Parish,	115 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	50 71
Education Society,	21 93
Other objects:	
Virginia Bible Society,	8 86
Contingent Fund of Diocese,	85 00
Alms for the Poor	49 85
Total,	$639 79

SHENANDOAH COUNTY.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, BECKFORD PARISH.

Rev. JOHN K. MASON, Rector.

Post Office—Mt. Jackson.

Treasurer's Post Office—Mt. Jackson.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 4; aggregate, 7. Con-

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firmations: White, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 23; added, white, 13; aggregate, 36; removed, 3; present number, 33. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 5; scholars, 35; total, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$ 25 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	79 69
Total, ...	$104 69

SPOTTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ST. GEORGE'S PARISH.

Rev. ROB'T J. MCBRYDE, Rector.

Post Office—Fredericksburg.

Treasurer's Post Office—Fredericksburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 6; aggregate, 8. Confirmations: White, 19. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 308; added, white, 24 (of which by transfer 5); aggregate, 332; removed, 20; withdrawn, 112; died, 5; total, 137; present number, 195. Marriages: White, 1. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 20; scholars, 150; total, 170. Contributions, $50.00.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses, .	$1,960 82
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	344 26
Total, ...	$2,305 08

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STAFFORD COUNTY.

AQUIA CHURCH, OVERWHARTON PARISH.

Rev. J. M. MEREDITH, Rector.

Post Office—Richland Mills.

Treasurer's Post Office—Richland Mills.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 41; present number, 41. Marriages: White, 4. Funerals: White, 3; colored, 1; total, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 4; scholars, 20; total, 24. Colored, teachers, 1; scholars, 10; total, 11.

REMARKS.—Since report of last year I have been steadily at work at Aquia Church, Rockhill, in Stafford, and at Clifton, near Richland Station, with encouraging prospects of a confirmation class, so soon as I know when you can visit us, which we much desire.

Also at Dumfries you will see, by fuller reports for the Mission Board and the *Churchman*, that we are satisfied now of being able to put up a Church of fifty feet by twenty-eight on the site of old Quantico during the year.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ALBEMARLE PARISH.

Rev. ROBB WHITE, Missionary.

Post Office—Lawrenceville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Littleton.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 6; aggregate, 9. Confirmations: White, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 7; added, white, 12 (of which by transfer 3); present number, 19.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, .	$800 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	37 15
Total, ...	$837 15

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REMARKS.—Since the last report a church has been built and paid for at a cost of $800, and was consecrated 7th April 1877. This little handful of communicants deserves great credit for their energy, self-denial, and untiring zeal, against the greatest opposition, and I deem this notice to be simply justice to them.

WARREN COUNTY.

CALVARY CHURCH, ST. THOMAS' PARISH.

Rev. Jos. R. JONES, Rector.

Post Office—Millwood.

Treasurer's Post Office—Front Royal.

Baptisms: Adults, 2. Confirmations, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 31; added, 4; aggregate, 35; transferred to Baptist Church, 1; present number, 34. Funerals, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Education Society,	$ 12 75
Diocesan Missionary Society,	15 95
Disabled Clergyman's Fund,	5 50
Valley Convocation Missions,	20 56
Made by ladies of congregation,	102 60
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, not including regular expenses,	25 00
Total,	$182 36

REMARKS.—This Parish has done a good work during the last year, not only in increasing its contributions to the general objects of the Church, but especially in finishing their parsonage, and enclosing both the Church and parsonage lots with a nice fence, at an expense of over nine hundred dollars, two hundred dollars of which was given by the Valley Convocation, so that now the rectory is renting for one hundred and fifty dollars per year, with which they expect to pay the remaining debt upon it. The ladies also have been very zealous and active, having raised enough by their own exertions to purchase a fine and sweet-toned Estey organ. The congregation is, I think, *alive* and interested in everything connected with the Church. Attendance upon the services unusually good.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, HOLSTON PARISH.

Rev. JOHN MCNABB, Rector.

Post Office—Abingdon.

Treasurer's Post Office—Abingdon.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 14; aggregate, 13. Confirmations: White, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 35; colored, 1; total, 36; added, white, (by transfer) 2; aggregate, 38; removed, 3; died, 1; total, 4; present number, 34. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 3; colored, 1; total, 4. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 7; scholars, 60; total, 67. Colored: Scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$762 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	58 10
Other objects, ...	17 00
Total, ...	$837 10

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON PARISH.

Rev. WM. C. LATANÉ, Rector.

Post Office—Oak Grove.

Treasurer's Post Office—Oak Grove.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 6; colored, 1; total, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 48; added, white, 4; aggregate, 52: removed, 2; present number, 50. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1: total, 2. Funerals: White, 3; colored, 2; total, 5. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 15; scholars, 60; total, 75. Contributions, $2.75.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$153 88
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	$90 92
Total, ...	$244 80

REMARKS.—In addition to the above amount, about $800, raised from various sources, have been spent in erecting a chapel at Maple Grove, in the upper part of the Parish, which is not yet finished.

YEOCOMICO AND NOMINI CHURCHES, COPLE PARISH.

Rev. JOHN J. LLOYD, Rector.

Post Office—Hague.

Treasurer's Post Office—Hague.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 46; colored, 1; total, 47; added, white, 5 (of which by transfer 4); aggregate, 52; removed, 1; died, 2; total, 3; present number, 49. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 12; scholars, 55; total, 67.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$313 00
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	84 80
Total, ...	$397 80

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, MONTROSS PARISH.

Rev. D. M. WHARTON, Rector.

Post Office—Montross.

Treasurer's Post Office—Montross.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported,

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white, 24; added, white, (by transfer) 1; aggregate, 25; died, 1; present number, 24. Marriages: White, 1. Funerals: White, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$17 50
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	35 00
Total,	$52 50

REMARKS.—Our Mission work at Nomini Grove has been greatly interrupted since last Fall, for the reason that we have had no place for holding regular service. We have held an occasional service during the Winter and Spring at a private house in the neighborhood. The Sunday School we were obliged to suspend. As soon as the plastering of the chapel is completed, the Sunday School and other services will be resumed. This Mission is much indebted to Rev. J. J. Lloyd for frequent and very acceptable services. The completion of the chapel is now under contract, and the work will go on until the funds in hand are exhausted. Under the contract, $70 more are required to finish it.

WYTHE COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WYTHE PARISH.

Rev. GEO. W. NELSON, Rector.

Post Office—Wytheville.

Treasurer's Post Office—Wytheville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 10. Comfirmations: White, 12. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 83; added, white, 16 (of which by transfer 4); aggregate, 99; removed, 7; withdrawn, 3; died, 1; total, 11; present number, 88. Funerals: White, 2. Sunday Schools: White, teachers, 9; scholars, 35; total, 44. Colored: Teachers, 4; scholars, 25; total, 29. Contributions, $6.50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses,	$373 44
Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church,	68 77
Other objects,	5 00
Total,	$447 21

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YORK COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, HAMPTON PARISH.

Rev. ALEX. Y. HUNDLEY, Deacon.

Post Office—White Marsh, Gloucester County.

Treasurer's Post Office—Yorktown.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 5; aggregate, 8. Confirmations: White, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 13; added, white, 6; aggregate, 19; removed, 2; died, 1; total, 3; present number, 16. Funerals: White, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

All collections are devoted to the regular expenses of the Parish.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

EVANGELIST'S REPORT.

I began the work of an Evangelist on June 7th, last year. Since that time I have visited and preached at the following places:

Amherst.—Emmanuel Church, Amherst C. H., New Glasgow; preached sixteen times.

Appomattox.—St. Paul's; preached ten times.

Botetourt.—Fincastle, Buchanan, Indian Rock; preached, fifty-three times; two visits.

Brunswick.—Lawrenceville; preached twice.

Buckingham.—Curdsville; preached twice.

Campbell.—Lynchburg, Campbell C. H., St. John's, Grace Chapel, Alms House; preached thirty-one times.

Culpeper.—Rapidan, Culpeper C. H.; preached thirteen times.

Cumberland.—Ca Ira, Guineas; preached eleven times.

Dinwiddie.—Dinwiddie C. H.; preached three times.

Elizabeth City.—Hampton; preached nine times.

Fauquier.—Hopewell, Thoroughfare, The Plains, Salem, Upperville; preached seventeen times.

Franklin.—Rocky Mount; preached five times.

Giles.—Eggleston and vicinity; preached five times.

Henrico.—Emmanuel; preached three times.

Isle of Wight.—Smithfield; preached four times.

Madison.—Madison C. H.; preached ten times.

Montgomery.—Blacksburg, Central; preached eighteen times.

Nansemond.—Sussex, St. John's, Glebe; preached eight times.

Northampton.—Eastville, Hungar's; preached eleven times.

Nottoway.—Blacks and Whites, Nottoway C. H.; preached fifteen times.

Princess Anne.—Kempsville, Eastern Shore Chapel; preached six times.

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Prince Edward.—St. Anne's; preached five times.
Pulaski.—New River; preached ten times.
Roanoke.—Salem, Big Lick; preached sixteen times.
Smyth.—Marion; preached eight times.
Southampton.—Ivor, Jerusalem, Franklin; preached fifteen times.
Sussex.—Littleton, Waverly; preached six times.
Washington.—Abingdon, Glade Spring, Bristol; preached eight times.
Baptisms.—Infants, white, fifteen.
Marriages.—White, 1.
Funerals.—White, 1.

J. J. NORWOOD.

MISSIONARY REPORT.

To Bishop Whittle:

CHRIST'S CHURCH, Spotsylvania county. Confirmations: White, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 15; added, 5; 1 by transfer; total, 20. Marriages: White, 1.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, Spotsylvania county. Confirmations: White, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 10; added, 4; 1 by transfer; total, 14.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, Caroline county. Confirmations: White, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, white, 21; added, 5; total, 26. Baptisms: White, adults, 1; infants, 1; total, 2.

The above named churches are embraced in my missionary charge. Such is its extent that, if means could be provided, two young and energetic men could be fully and usefully employed. The work is more than can be well done by an old and declining man.

The total communion, as above reported, is sixty, so scattered and distant, that some rarely, others, for want of means, never attend services in the churches. I can see them only by visits, which require long rides, or when I can have special services in their vicinity. The congregations are usually large and attentive, and particularly at night service in private families.

I have preached on several occasions to large congregations in St. Paul's, a Methodist church built on the site of the old Reeder's church

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in Drysdale parish. Here there are several families warmly attached to the church. I have made one visit to the Bowling Green; preached morning and afternoon to large congregations, and baptized one infant.

Services are held regularly in the afternoon of the Sabbath for the colored people, with good prospect of success.

Some thirty dollars have been contributed, mainly to the Diocesan Missionary Society.

WM. N. WARD.

Post Office—Roney's Store, Spotsylvania Co.

REPORT OF FAIRFAX MISSION—

including St. John's Church and Clifton Mission, Truro Parish; and St. James' Church and Manassas Mission, Dettingen Parish, in the two counties of Fairfax and Prince William respectively.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 1; aggregate, 3. Confirmations: White, 4. Communicants, 57 (of which by transfer 7); died, 1; present number, 57. Marriages: Colored, 1; white, 1. Funerals, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

From various sources to objects within the Mission, not including regular expenses, ...	$354 56
Objects in connection with Protestant Episcopal Church,	17 00
Total, ...	$371 56

A word is needed as to the meagreness of this report. My field is purely missionary ground. It presents many difficulties, being composed of four points distant from one another about seven miles, and separated by three dangerous and often impassable fords. Most of the time since I came I have had to use a borrowed horse or none, not having one of my own, nor able to get one. This has rendered all work, especially visiting, tenfold more difficult and discouraging than it would otherwise have been. When these facts are taken into consideration the work done will not appear so small nor the hope of future fruit so unfounded.

Respectfully,

WM. W. WALKER.

P. O. Box 43, Manassas.

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Miscellaneous.

RICHMOND, VA., May, 1878.

Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D.. D.:

Rev. and Dear Brother,—I would respectfully report that I have continued to act, during the past year, as Secretary and General Agent of the Diocesan Missionary Society of Virginia, and have also performed frequent ministerial services in this city, and in Manchester since they have been without a rector. I have also, with the approval of the Bishop, been holding regular services at West Point in King William county, which place the Bishop visited in March last, and where he confirmed two persons. There is a congregation at West Point, but they have no proper house for services. They hope, however, to be able in due time to build a church, and have already made some efforts towards that end, having received the gift of a lot, and also obtained some money for that purpose.

Faithfully yours,

F. M. BAKER.

VIRGINIA FEMALE INSTITUTE,

Staunton, Va., May 11th, 1877.

Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., LL. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

I beg leave respectfully to report, that since the last Council I have been, as for some years past, conducting this Diocesan school for young ladies, with gratifying encouragement, both as to the number of pupils, and the character of its patronage from thirteen dioceses.

It is gratifying to state that at no time since the first organization of the Institute, have the comfort, conveniences and educational advantages equaled those of the present session. The health of the large family has been uniformly excellent. The professors and teachers have earnestly co-operated with the governmental officers and largely contributed to the gratifying success of the session.

Regular daily chapel services, responsively conducted, have been held, and on inclement Sabbaths appropriate discourses have been delivered to the officers and pupils. The Institute choir, led by a zealous pupil as organist and first chorister, contributes greatly to the interest

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of these services. As heretofore, I have gladly aided the rector of the parish church in his duties, as occasion required, and had Sunday afternoon services at the mission chapel, as opportunity offered.

One pupil was baptized and six confirmed at your late visitation, others are referred for counsel and further instruction, to their pastors at home, before assuming their baptismal vows.

About two-thirds of the officers and pupils are professing christians, and to their influence in the family may justly be attributed the harmony which has characterized the session.

Very respectfully,

R. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

ST. PHILLIP'S CHURCH, RICHMOND.

(COLORED CONGREGATION.)

This is preëminently missionary work. At present, signs for encouragement show themselves. In addition to the regular church service and sermon every Sunday night, such other services as seemed expedient have been held from time to time. The present number of communicants 6; added, 1. A class is being instructed for confirmation. The Sunday school, conducted by competent and faithful teachers, numbers about one hundred scholars.

J. R. WINCHESTER, *Deacon.*

May, 1878.

PETERSBURG, VA., May 14, 1878.

Rt. Rev. F. M. WHITTLE, *D. D., Bishop of Virginia:*

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:—I have to report that during the year ending April 30, 1878, I have conducted divine service one hundred and ninety times; have baptized eight children, and performed the burial service four times; presented two candidates for confirmation at Nottoway Court-house in November, 1877.

Your obedient servant,

GEO. C. SUTTON.

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Miscellaneous.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 30th, 1878.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:—I beg leave to report that during the last year I have baptized 1 adult and 15 children, married 5 couples, buried 5 persons, administered holy communion fifteen times in public, and three times in private to sick communicants.

Since the 13th of August, 1877, I have been regularly serving the congregation of Trinity Church, St. George's Parish, Spotsylvania county, Virginia.

With highest respect;
I have the honor to be,
Your most obedient servant
In Christ Jesus and His Church,

ED'WD C. MURDAUGH.

WINCHESTER, May 15, 1878.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:

I would respectfully report, that during the past year I have been engaged in the performance of duty as principal of the Episcopal Female Institute.

I have likewise assisted the Rector of Christ Church in divine service.

Very respectfully,

J. C. WHEAT.

WINCHESTER, May, 1878.

Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., LL. D.,
Bishop of Virginia.

Dear Sir:—I hereby transmit my report for the church year of 1878. I keep my regular appointments and missionary services.

Baptisms, children, white, 14. Marriages, white, 6. Funerals, white, 4. Post Office, Winchester.

JOHN B. T. REED, *Missionary.*

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MISSION WORK AT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

	Baptisms.			Confirmations.	Communicants.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Contributions.	Communions.	S. S. Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	STUDENTS IN CHARGE.
	Adults.	Infants.	Aggregate.									
Arlington	...	...	...	...	15	...	1	$ 30 00	2	...	.....	Mr. E. H. Wellman, aided by Mr. M. T. Turner.
Langley	...	...	...	...	23	...	1	.....	1	7	40	Mr. C. B. Bryan, aided by T. W. Ware and E. L. Goodwin.
Lebanon	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	.....	...	...	.....	Mr. W. W. Kimball and F. P. Wilson.
Olivet	...	1	1	...	21	...	..	75 00	4	5	30	Mr. P. P. Phillips, M. P. Logan, and Arthur S. Lloyd.
Pohick	...	...	...	...	7	1	1	79 00	3	...	.....	Mr. Curtis Grubb, S. S. Ware and C. S. T. Mayo.
Theological Sem'y Sunday School,	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	31 25	...	9	55	Mr. D. Watson Winn.
Sharon	...	...	...	...	14	1	1	94 00	2	6	67	Mr. A. P. Gray, W. B. Lee, J.G. Shackelford, T. J. Packard, Sunday School Teachers.
West End	3	3	6	9	27	...	2	67 00	2	10	73	Mr. Frank Page, R. R. Claiborne, Assheten and McCulloh.
	5	4	9	9	114	2	6	$376 25	14	37	265	Colored Mission near Seminary—just commenced under Mr. Assheten—has Sunday School of 50 scholars, and promises well.

Respectfully submitted,

KINLOCH NELSON.

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LIST OF PARISHES DELINQUENT IN PAYMENT OF RECTOR'S SALARY---1878.

Those marked with an asterisk (*) are deliquent, because not reporting.

CHURCH.	PARISH.	COUNTY.	PROMISED.	PAID.	DEFICIT.
* St. James' and St. George's	St. George's	Accomac			
Emmanuel	Accomac	Accomac			
St. John's	St. Anne's	Albemarle	$ 150 00	$ 45 00	$ 105 00
Grace	Walker	Albemarle	300 00	225 00	75 00
* Grub Hill	Raleigh	Amelia			
* St. Thomas'	West Russell	Bedford			
* St. Mark's	Lee	Bedford			
* Church of Good Shepherd	Moore	Campbell			
St. Peter's Church	St. Mary's	Caroline	244 50	192 00	52 50
* Meade Memorial	Greenway Court	Clarke			
St. James'	Leighton	Cumberland	500 00	423 89	76 11
* Vauter's	St. Anne's	Essex			
* St. Matthew's	St. Anne's	Essex			
Trinity and Grace	Whittle	Fauquier	788 00	713 00	75 00
* Emmanuel	Piedmont	Fauquier			
* St. John's	Rivanna	Fluvanna			
Ware	Ware	Gloucester	500 00	391 66	108 34
St. John's and Grace	Antrim	Halifax	1,250 00	1,092 06	157 94
Lamb's Creek	Brunswick	King George	100 00	25 00	75 00
St. Paul's	St. Paul's	King George	200 00	163 33	36 67
St. John's and Emmanuel	Hanover	King George	279 50	234 00	45 50
* St. Peter's	St. Peter's,	New Kent			
Christ, Trinity and Bethlehem	Nelson	Nelson	510 00	361 50	148 50
* St. Thomas'	St. Thomas'	Orange			
* Merchants' Hope	Martin's Brandon	Prince George,			
* St. John's	City Point	Prince George,			
St. James'		Prince William	260 00	241 83	18 17
Farnham	North Farnham	Richmond	200 00	122 59	77 41
St. Andrew's	Beckford	Shenandoah	250 00	171 18	78 82
St. John's	Berkeley	Spotsylvania	75 00	18 00	57 00
Aquia	Overwharton	Stafford	200 00	161 75	38 25
* Front Royal	Calvary	Warren			
St. Thomas'	Holston	Washington	500 00	398 25	101 75
St. Peter's	Washington	Westmoreland,	500 00	443 48	56 52
* St. John's	Wythe	Wythe			

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Bishops,	1
Clergy in charge of Parishes and Missions,	104
Clergy engaged as Professors and Teachers,	7
Clergy without charge,	15
Total number of Clergy,	127
Lay Readers,	41
Baptisms,	1,775
Confirmations,	1,318
Communicants,	12,345
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Contributions,	$110,629.00

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